KARNIK'S AGUE MIXTURE FOR MALARIA & other FEVERS. KARNIK BROS GINGAUM BOMBAY

Regd. No. B 1065

The Bombay Chronicle

Regd. No. B 1065

Founder: Pherozeshah Mehta Editor: Syed Abdullah Brelvi

VOL. XXIX NO. 307 BOMBAY: SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1941 PRICE: ONE ANNA

"KAMESHWARI"
Restores
BLOOD and VITALITY
RASASHALA AUSHADHASHRAM
Gondal. Kathiawar
411. Vasant Wadi. Kalbadevi Road. BOMBAY 2.
WANTED AGENTS

LIBRARY OF THE BOMBAY BRANCH OF THE ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY

THIS WAR MUST END ALL WARS

Churchill's Call For Total Victory Plan

ASKS U. S. CONGRESSMEN TO BE PREPARED FOR MANY SHOCKS

Br. Premier Takes Stock: Turn Of Tide In 1943

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.

Mr. Churchill addressing the Senate said that the experience was one of the most moving and thrilling of his life. He declared: "Only a portion of your resources has yet been mobilized".

MANY SURPRISES AHEAD

Mr. Churchill added: "Many disappointments and unpleasant surprises await us before full marshalling of our powers can be accomplished".

CAUGHT UNPREPARED

He said that Japan's onslaught presented Britain and America with grievous problems for which neither was fully prepared. He forecast a hard 1942, but said in 1943 "we would be in a position to take the initiative in ever greater proportion".

He said that the purpose of his visit was to arrange the grouping of our military plans.

LIBYAN CAMPAIGN

He referred to Libya and said that the enemy force there numbered 1,50,000 of which one third were Germans. There was every reason to believe that General Auchinleck's aim totally to destroy the force would be fully accomplished.

THIS WAR MUST END ALL WARS

Mr. Churchill concluded: "If we had kept together after the last war, this would not have befallen us. For the sake of our children and mankind we must ensure that these catastrophies do not engulf us a third time".

TEXT OF CHURCHILL'S SPEECH

Mr. Churchill addressing an informal meeting of the Senate today said:—

"I feel greatly honoured that you have invited me to enter the United States Senate Chamber and address the representatives of both branches of Congress. The fact that my American forbears of so many generations have played their part in the life of the United States and that here I am, an Englishman, welcomed in your midst, makes this experience one of the most moving and thrilling in my life.

I cannot help reflecting that if my father had been an American and my mother a British instead of the other way round, I might have got here on my own. I must confess, therefore, that I do not feel quite like a fish out of the water in a Legislative Assembly where English is spoken. I am a child of the House of Commons. I was brought up in my father's house to believe in democracy. 'Trust the people', was his message.

Therefore, I have been in harmony all my life with the tides which have flowed on both sides of the Atlantic against privilege and monopoly and I have steered confidently towards the Gettysburg ideal of 'Government of the people, by the people and for the people.' (Cheers).

JOINT PLANNING

I owe my advancement entirely to the House of Commons whose servant I am. But any day if they thought that the people wanted it the House of Commons might, by a simple vote, remove me from my office. As a matter of fact I am sure that they will approve very highly of my journey here for which I have obtained the King's permission in order to meet the President of the United States (cheers) and to arrange with him all that mapping out of

(Continued on Page 11)

VICEROY'S REFUSAL TO INTERVENE

Mounted Police Disperse Crowds Defying Govt. Ban

CALCUTTA, Dec. 26.

Sir Manmatha Nath Mookerjee, President of the Bengal Provincial Hindu Mahasabha, interviewed His Excellency the Viceroy to-day for about half an hour and discussed with him matters relating to the Ehagalpur session of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha.

On his return from Belvedere, Sir Manmatha told a representative of the Associated Press that His Excellency found no substantial grounds for interference with the matter which was essentially a provincial one.—A. P.

SAVARKAR'S MESSAGE

BHAGALPUR, Dec. 26.

"Everybody is expected to work according to the plan chalked out", is the message conveyed by Mr. V. D. Savarkar, President of the All India Hindu Mahasabha, through his two Secretaries who saw him in jail on Wednesday last.

Mr. Savarkar also stated that he was receiving satisfactory treatment in jail.

Ban Defied Again

The Hindu Mahasabha again defied the Government ban and held the second day's session. Mounted police dispersed the session and arrested Mr. Narain Dutt, who had been appointed dictator for holding the session.

After about 330 arrests in the course of the last three days the police, it appears, relaxed their policy to-day and processionists were mostly dispersed without any arrests being effected, although the order under Sec. 144 is still in force.

STATE OF EMERGENCY IN ASSAM?

SHILLONG, Dec. 26.

A state of emergency, it is learnt, is going to be declared in Assam and the official announcement is expected shortly.—A. P.

Assam Coalitionists Meet

SHILLONG, Dec. 26.

A meeting of the Nationalist Coalition Party has been summoned to-night to discuss the situation obtaining in the Province following the suspension of constitution.

Mr. Arun Kumar Chanda, deputy leader of the Congress Assembly Party, who arrived here this morning had a prolonged discussion with Mr. Rohini Kumar Chaudhuri.—A. P.

BARDOLI PARLEYS:

Search For Agreed Formula Continues

MAHATMA'S UNCOMPROMISING STAND MAKES FINAL DECISION DIFFICULT

BARDOLI, Dec. 26.

For the fourth day in succession the Congress Working Committee continued discussions on the present political situation. Mahatma Gandhi was present at to-day's sitting also.

It is understood that it will take at least another three days before the Committee could come to any decision in the matter.

One member explained that due to the complex nature of the issues involved the confabulations were likely to be protracted.

MAHATMA'S STAND

While there is as yet no indications available as to the nature of the discussions it is pointed out that in an issue on which Mahatma Gandhi will not compromise —and also considering the British Government's present attitude towards India—it is not easy to evolve a formula.

Meanwhile consultations among the members continue.

COMMITTEE TO SIT TILL SUNDAY

The Congress Working Committee met at 3-30 p.m. to-day for the fourth day in succession and dispersed in the evening without coming to any final decision or adopting any resolution on the present political situation.

Indications are that the Bardoli session will be one of the longest sessions of the Working Committee, if not the longest; and Acharya J. B. Kripalani, General Secretary of the Congress, who made his first appearance in the public after his recent illness, told the "United Press" that the committee was likely to continue its deliberations at least till Sunday next.

THEORY AND PRACTICE OF NON-VIOLENCE

The "United Press" learns that Gandhiji spoke again to-day for half an hour on the theoretical aspect of non-violence and its applicability in practical national life. Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, who had already made known his views on this issue, and Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru were amongst others who took active part and gave their own interpretation thereon. It is stated that in view of the prolonged discussion on this subject, the main resolution could not be considered.

The "United Press" special representative understands that the final touches to the resolution will be given when the Congress President, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, Mr. C. Rajagopalachari and Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru will meet Gandhiji to-morrow morning at the latter's cottage, and the resolution will be placed before the Committee in the afternoon. It is said that it may not be released even to-morrow evening.

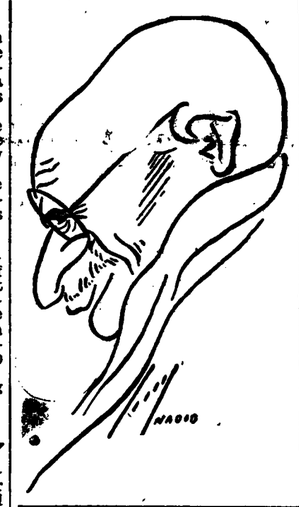
It is gathered that the latest situation in the Far East incidentally cropped up before to-day's session of the committee.

The Working Committee meets again at 2 p.m. to-morrow.

Mahatma Desires Full And Frank Discussions

From talks with the members of the Congress Working Committee it appears that the resolution on

(Continued on Page 4)



Free French Forces Welcomed In Saint Pierre

LONDON, Dec. 26.

A cable received by the Free French headquarters in London on Friday says that M. De Bournat, the Vichy appointed Governor of Saint Pierre island, has been taken into custody and placed aboard Admiral Muselier's ship.

A French flotilla that entered Saint Pierre bay at dawn on Christmas eve was welcomed by the inhabitants on the quays

Vichy Appointed Governor Imprisoned

LONDON: The occupation of Saint Pierre and Miquelon by a Free French naval force passed off without incident without a shot being fired, according to a cable received by the Free French Headquarters in London which says that a naval flotilla entered Saint Pierre bay at dawn on Christmas eve. The landing force occupied and administrative building, took the Vichy appointed Governor, M. De Bournat, into custody and placed him aboard the Admiral's flagship. The population welcomed the sailors with cheers for General de Gaulle.

A communique issued by the French National Committee in London regarding the occupation of Saint Pierre et Miquelon says: "Several months ago the National Committee was informed that the populations in Saint Pierre et Miquelon wished to join the Free French and at the side of the Allies to resume the struggle for the liberation of the mother country and the triumphs of liberty throughout the world. Furthermore it was common knowledge that, under a Governor who received dictatorial powers from Vichy, Saint Pierre radio was broadcasting meteorological information useful to the enemy."

The communique adds that Admiral Muselier, who recently went to inspect Free French warships in Newfoundland waters, proceeded to Saint Pierre on December 24 "on orders from the National Committee in order to clear up the situation". Referring to the result of the plebiscite of the population, the communique says:—"This manifestation of the French popular will is all the more significant because it is the first time since June, 1940, that the population, exclusively composed of French citizens, have been able to express its feelings in accordance with democratic principle and the right of the people to self-determination."—Reuter.

JINNAH'S XMAS PRESENT TO VICEROY!

NAGPUR, Dec. 26.

The Working Committee of the Muslim League met this afternoon with Mr. Jinnah in the chair. Those present were: Kazi Mohd. Isa (Baluchistan), Raja of Mahmoodabad (U. P.), Chaudhri Khaliquzzaman (U. P.), Abdul Matin Chaudhri (Assam), Sir Nazimuddin (Bengal), Mr. Hussain Isphani (Bengal), Rauf Shah (C. P.), Barkat Ali (Punjab), Abdul Satar Seth (Madras), Hussain Imam (Bihar), Liaqat Ali (U. P.), the Secretary.

The Muslim League Working Committee, which began at 3-45 in the afternoon, adjourned at 8-45 P. M. It is understood that the political situation in the country and the recent developments in the Far East were discussed. The discussions will be continued tomorrow morning.—A. P.

FRESH CRISIS IN BENGAL

Sarat Bose Instructs Party Men To Quit New Cabinet

WHEN A PREMIER IS HELPLESS

CALCUTTA, Dec. 26.

The removal of Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose from Bengal to his place of detention in Madras has given rise to certain developments, which threaten a fresh ministerial tangle in the Province.

It is learnt that prior to his being removed to Madras this afternoon, Mr. Sarat Chandra Bose advised the Hon. Mr. Santosh Kumar Basu and the Hon Mr. Pramatha Nath Banerjee, newly appointed Ministers representing the Forward Bloc in the Bengal Legislative Assembly, to resign immediately.

Mr. Bose in his message to Mr. Basu added that this, however, did not mean any change in their policy of whole-hearted support to the present Ministry in Bengal.

INDIA GOVT. ADAMANT

It is further learnt that the news of Mr. Bose's removal from Calcutta reached the Chief Minister Mr. A. K. Fazlul Huq shortly before he was taken out of the Presidency Jail. Mr. Huq at once got in touch with the Secretaries of his Department and asked them if the order of Mr. Bose's removal could be delayed at least by a day. He was told that the Bengal Government were simply carrying out the orders of the Government of India. Mr. Huq then tried to contact the Home Member to the Government of India, who is now in Calcutta.

RUSH TO STATION

Being unsuccessful in his attempts to get the order of Mr. Bose's removal stayed temporarily, the Chief Minister rushed to Howrah station, accompanied by the Hon. Mr. Santosh Kumar Basu, to see Mr. Bose off.

CALL TO SYAMAPROSAD

On return from the station, Mr. Huq sent the following telegram to the Hon. Dr. Syamaprosad Mookerjee, who is now at Coigong:

"Your presence immediately necessary Calcutta for considering matters affecting Cabinet. Please come immediately".—A. P

17 Japanese Planes Shot Down Over Rangoon

MAIN ENEMY LINE ON ROAD TO HONG KONG CUT

Chinese Army Hits Back: Liyang And Kwangi Reoccupied

CHUNGKING, Dec. 26.

Seventeen Japanese planes, thirteen fighters and four bombers, were destroyed by a combined force of British and American fighters during a raid on Rangoon yesterday, it is learned here. The Allied losses were only three planes.

This news was given in a telegram from the Commander of the American Volunteer Pilots who are at present protecting the Burma Road between Rangoon and Kunming.

CHINESE VICTORIES

Liyang And Kiangsu Reoccupied

Heavy fighting between Chinese and Japanese forces is taking place in Northern Hunan and East Hupeh Provinces, according to Chinese field dispatches reaching Chungking.

In East Hupeh Province, the Japanese forces which occupied Kwangsi have been repulsed by the Chinese who have now reoccupied the city.

In Southern Kiangsu Province the Chinese have recaptured the city of Liyang and the Japanese forces are now moving southward where the fighting is continuing.

MAIN JAPANESE FORCES CUT

A Chinese war communique issued on Friday states:—

"Chinese attacks on the Canton-Kowloon railway are developing satisfactorily. The Chinese, who recaptured Nanling early this week, have been engaging the enemy in that area following the arrival of Japanese reinforcements on Tuesday, making the total Japanese strength 5,000 men.

The Communique added that Chinese units in another area have succeeded in cutting the enemy's main line of communication leading to Hong Kong and reports that the battle is growing in intensity and severity along the Canton-Kowloon railway.

Hong Kong's Gallant Defence

Commenting on the defence of Hong Kong a Chinese official statement declares, "The gallant struggle put up against great odds by the British and Canadian defenders of Hong Kong has evoked unstinted admiration and praise from all Chinese circles in Chungking.

It has afforded considerable inspiration not only to the rank and file of the Chinese troops but also to all Allied forces.

The Chinese are particularly aware of the importance of the defence of Hong Kong.

It is comparable to the determined Chinese defence of Shanghai in 1937.

Confidence prevails that just as the battle of Shanghai gave the Chinese High Command sufficient time successfully to consummate its strategy, the recent battle of Hong Kong will have 'a similar effect on the future course of the Pacific war".

Baron Van Brengel Douglas, the new Dutch Minister to the Chungking Government, arrived here from Rangoon by a Chinese plane.

He was formerly Dutch Minister to Greece.

GEN. WAVELL MEETS MARSHAL CHIANG

CHUNGKING, Dec. 26.

It is now revealed that General Wavell, Commander-in-Chief of India, just had a three day conference with Marshall Chiang-Kai-Shek and Maj.-General Brett, chief of staff of the United States Air Corps.

OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE

A communique issued by the British Embassy says General Wavell arrived in Chungking on December 22 for a three day's visit, during which he discussed with Marshal Chiang-Kai-Shek, Major-Gen. Brett, who also came specially for the purpose, questions of strategy in the Far East. Heads of the American and British military missions and several general officers of the Chinese High Command also participated in the discussions. Every aspect of the future of the campaign in the Far East was considered and complete harmony of view was reached. Gen. Wavell returned to India.

Military Council Created

A Chinese Communique stated: "Gen. Wavell and Maj.-Gen. Brett arrived in Chungking from Rangoon on December 22. The same evening they called on Marshall Chiang-Kai-Shek and discussed with him various problems concerning joint war action by the democratic countries. A Military Council was created in Chungking on December 23."—Reuter.

Wavell's Personal Contact With Chiang-Kai-Shek

NEW DELHI, Dec. 26.

A further important development in the establishment of close co-operation by the A. B. C. D. Powers against Japan is how General Sir Archibald Wavell's visit to Chungking is regarded here.

It is understood that Gen. Wavell, who has now returned to India, carried out his visit by Air and had direct conversations with Generalissimo Chiang-Kai-Shek. He undoubtedly also considered at first hand the situation in Burma.

It is pointed out that Gen. Wavell's visit stresses the increased importance of India as a producer of vital supplies and a source of man-power, since the spread of the war to the Pacific.

Gen. Wavell has shown himself a great believer in the value of personal contacts, and during recent months has not spared himself in making long journeys to Cairo, Singapore, and even to London, in order to achieve his objects. A. P.

If Australia Is Attacked ...

CANBERRA:—Mr. Curtin said: "We are mobilising the Allies against the Axis. At the same time it would be misleading if I said that an end of the reverses has come. No part of Australia is invulnerable. If Australia is attacked certain populous centres will be bombed and shelled. It will be realized that we have not the forces to guard all Australians from being bombed and shelled but we have courage, determination and capacity to beat off the invader in the end. Support will be given by all Allied nations, including Russia, to any decisions taken by the Far Eastern War Council".—Reuter.

STOP PRESS

REDS RECAPTURE ANOTHER TOWN.

LONDON, Dec. 26.

The Soviet night communique states that there was day long fighting on all fronts. It adds that Soviet troops have recaptured Narofominsk.—Reuter.

Our Tabulated Adlets

1 Anna Per Word Minimum Re. 1.

CHHOTA CHHOTA ADVERTISEMENTS are inserted in these Columns on cash payment only and are charged at the rate of ONE ANNA per word. Minimum charge is fixed at Re 1 for 16 words. Numericals (up to 10 figures) and Abbreviations are to be counted as complete words

SPECIAL REDUCTION in our scheduled rate of one anna per word will be allowed until further notice at the rate of 25 p.c. on all CASH PAYMENTS provided the same Adlet is to appear for three times or more in a week. The complete week to be calculated from Monday to Sunday.

STILL ONE MORE FACILITY is offered to our Adletisers. Tabulated Adlets that appear in the "BOMBAY CHRONICLE" if repeated the same evening in the "BOMBAY SENTINEL" will be charged for the "SENTINEL" at half-anna per word per insertion without any further reduction whatsoever.

ADLETS OF PRIVATE NATURE are inserted with Box Numbers and in such cases the six words —Box No. (———), "The Bombay Chronicle",—must be paid for. The management reserves the right to revise any Adlet or refuse publication without assigning any reason for doing so.

BLOCK LETTERED OR TYPE WRITTEN Adlets will ensure correct insertion. No responbility for any mistake, oversight, misprint, etc., will be accepted by the Management. Replies to the Adlets should be sent for often to avoid heavy congestion at our office.

20. MATRIMONIAL

Introductions for Matrimony, Friendship, Trade other 431 hobbies arranged by Globe Introduction League of Agra and Hyderabad Deccan. Central Office, Chillient, Agra. Members 11798 (both). Secretary, Mrs. Shaabdane. (15542)

42. SITUATIONS VACANT

Wanted for Seth Goculdas Tejpal High School an experienced Gujarati Hindu Teacher, B.A., B.T. or M.A., B.T. or T.D. (London) as Assistant Principal with prospects of Principalship. He must be highly academically qualified, and trained, and in a position to join duty by 1st February, 1942. Apply with testimonials stating age, qualifications, salary expected, etc., to the Secretary, G. T. Charities, 7, Bastion Road, Bombay 1. (15554)

Wanted by a big industrial concern a Storekeeper qualified as a Mech. & Elec. Engineer and having practical experience as a Storekeeper in big General and Engineering Firms. Apply with copies of testimonials as regards qualifications and past experience stating age and minimum pay acceptable to Advt. Box No. 6894, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted a technical expert fully conversant with the manufacture of Dry Cells for Torchlights, etc. for a well-equipped factory in India. Good prospects for a capable hand. Apply stating age experience and minimum salary required to Box No. 15533, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted:—Well English qualified representatives and salesmen and women on Rs. 50|- and Rs. 30|- p. m. for our new branches establishment in Bombay. Apply, the Manager, Victoria Workshop, Roshanara Road, Delhi. (15546)

Wanted: Candidates For Station Master and Signaller's course, scholarship Rs 50 and Railway fare terms. Free quarter. Apply with 2 annas stamps to The Director All-India Railway Routine Training Institute, Delhi. (15173)

Wanted Machine Shop Foreman by an Engineering Workshop, previous experience of at least five years in a similar position essential. Apply with testimonials and salary expected Box No. 6913, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted:—200 Candidates for Station Master's training. Free quarter. Railway fare paid. Scholarship Rs. 60|-. Apply with -|1|6 to Director, All-India Railway Commercial & Telegraph School, Daryaganj, Delhi. (15437)

Wonderful Discovery. Earn 200|- on 200|-, 500|- on 500|- peacefully. See personally latest discoverer, Mr. Patel, Nullbazar, Husseinbhai Mansion, Room 97 (15552)

Public Notices

GOVERNMENT Announcements Legal and Public Notifications are published in these columns at the following rates:—

	per column inch per insertion
1st Insertion	Rs. 7-8-0
2nd Insertion	Rs. 5-8-0
3rd and Subsequent Insertions	Rs. 4-8-0

Mofussil advertisers are requested to send remittances in advance and state clearly whether they wish to insert their advertisements in these columns or in the Classified.

NOTICE

WANTED for a large Industrial Concern within the Hyderabad State, a qualified Civil Engineer. Only those who have had years of practical experience in large reinforced concrete construction work need apply stating minimum salary required. The Post is temporary for about two years. Apply to Box No. 6929, "Bombay Chronicle."

NOTICE.

SEALED TENDERS ARE INVITED for supplying inside and outside armoured Rubber Hose Pipe 200 feet in length and 4" internal Dia which can resist 75 Lbs. per Sq. inch Hydraulic pressure, so as to reach the Chief Officer, Ahmedabad Municipality, on or before 4-0 P. M. on the 5th January 1942.

(Sd/-) C. R. DESAI,
for Municipal Engineer,
Ahmedabad Municipality.
Municipal Office,
Ahmedabad,
Dated 24th December, 1941. 6927

THE NEW PIECE GOODS BAZAR CO., LTD.

NOTICE

THE TRANSFER BOOKS and Register of Members of the Company will remain CLOSED from 6th January, 1942 to 19th January 1942, both days inclusive.

PADAMSEY DAMODAR GOVINDJEE,
Secretary

Bombay, 22nd December, 1941. (6902)

62. TO BE LET.

To let first floor of Bungalow No. 95, Ghodbunder Road, Santa Cruz, 7 rooms and kitchen. Terrace open to Juhu Sea View. Rent moderate. Apply Nowroji Daroga, Bai Building, Khetwadi Back Road. (15540)

141. EDUCATIONAL ADLETS.

Learn Rubber Balloon making by practical or Postal Course. New, profitable and Deshi industry. No machinery, small capital. Moderate fees. Apply—B. V. Misal, Rubber Expert, Wardha, C.P. (15545)

174. BOOKS.

The Office Ready Reckoner by P. S. Parameswaraier, Clerk, Dist. Registrar's Office, Calicut. III Edition. Highly commended. Largely used all over India in preparing pay bills in Government, Local Board and Municipal Offices. (Cloth) Rs. 1-8-0. Apply to Author or Gopalakrishna Kone, Bookseller, Madura. (15523)

191. MEDICAL ADLETS

Gonorrhoea acute or chronic cured in 7 days. Price Rs. 5. Postage free. Bawa Ayurvedic Chemical Works, 6, Mirdard Road, New Delhi. (15544)

322. MACHINERY FOR SALE

"Shaftings & Rails for Sale". Shaftings, Flats, Rails and Rolling Mill Materials available. Apply Box No. 15524, "Bombay Chronicle."

327. AGENTS WANTED

Agents, Stockists own Account Banana-Slices, Fried sugar coated and Malayalam Papadams. The Malabar Products, Kottar. (15541)

346. INVESTMENTS

Astrologically:—Now Buy Freely Cotton and Shares. No pain. Guaranteed Good Gain. Consult at once Mr. Ranam, 107, Dadysheth Agiari Street, 2nd floor, Bombay 2. (15510)

347. LOANS & MORTGAGES

Christmas-New Year immediate Loan of Rupees Hundred on mere Promissory Note! All Holidays working from 10 to 2. Bombay Loans Finance Corporation, 203, Hornby Road. (15539)

635. RACING TIPSTERS.

Sohoni's Profits making Confidential Race Tips. Rs. 15, per month. Write—Sohoni, Post Box 12, Poona 2. (15512)

Public Notices

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

NOTICE.

TENDERS FOR the supply of PAPER to the Municipal Printing Press are invited upto 1 p.m. (B.T.) on

(a) Wednesday, the 7th January 1942, for supply immediately from Stock and
(b) Wednesday, the 28th January 1942, for supply during the year commencing from 1st March 1942.

The Superintendent will supply forms of Tender, specifications and other particulars to anyone deputed to receive them at the Municipal Printing Press.

B. K. WAGLE,
Test Audit Officer.
Municipal Printing Press,
Trust Building
Napier Road, Fort, Bombay.
24th December, 1941. (6925)

VICTORY FAIR, BIKANER.

The features of the above Fair to be held in Bikaner from the 5th to 19th March, 1942, will include athletic sports, wrestling, circus, carnivals, theatrical and conjuring performances, etc.

Persons interested in the above sports and entertainments are requested to apply, stating terms etc., to THE SECRETARY 7, VICTORY FAIR, BIKANER. (6895)

THE RAWALPINDI ELECTRIC POWER CO., LTD.
Registered Office,
Electricity Buildings, Mayo Road, Rawalpindi.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the BOMBAY BRANCH OFFICE of this Company at Lakshmi Buildings, Sir Pherozeshah Mehta Road, Fort, Bombay, will be CLOSED with effect from the 31st December, 1941.

From and after the 1st January, 1942, the Company's Head Office at Rawalpindi will deal with all transactions relating to the Bombay Office.

It is proposed to sublet the premises of the Bombay Office Applications are invited and these should be submitted through Messrs. The Lakshmi Insurance Company Limited, Bombay, to the Head Office at Rawalpindi.

CHIEF ENGINEER
& GENERAL MANAGER,
The Rawalpindi Electric Power Co., Ltd. Rawalpindi. (6893)

Public Notices

BOMBAY PORT TRUST

STAFF SELECTION COMMITTEE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from natives of the Province of Bombay for enlistment as candidates for recruitment to clerical vacancies in this Administration during 1942-43. Selected candidates will have to pass a qualifying examination, success in which will make them eligible for appointment as vacancies occur during the year. On appointment candidates will be on probation for at least six months during which they will draw pay at Rs. 50 p.m. in the grade of Rs. 50-5-55. Promotion to the next higher grade of Rs. 60-5|2-90 will depend on vacancies in that grade

QUALIFICATIONS: —Matriculation, High School, Cambridge Senior or any higher examination. Graduates should have obtained not less than 45% and non-graduates not less than 50% in their respective examinations.

AGE:—Not more than 25 years on the 1st April, 1942.

Applicants should supply full details in the prescribed form of application which can be had from the undersigned on payment of Re. 1|- per copy. The fee will in no circumstances be refunded. Applications should reach the undersigned not later than 31st January, 1942.

Canvassing in any form will disqualify a candidate for appointment.

SECRETARY,
Staff Selection Committee,
Bombay Port Trust,
Administrative Offices, Bombay. (6785)

B. B. & C. I. RAILWAY

THE DEFENCE SERVICE EXHIBITION TRAIN will arrive in Bombay on January 2nd. Exhibition coaches will be on view at the Race platform, Mahalakshmi Station, and demonstrations will be given on the Race Course on January 2nd and 4th only.

Entrance to Race platform will be from high level, and exit from Race platform for those attending the demonstrations will be from platform gates. Those wishing to return by Local trains after viewing the coaches, will have to go via the overbridge.

2-anna tickets will be sold by the Railway from Portable booking offices on the high level at Mahalakshmi Station.

Additional Local trains to and from Mahalakshmi will be run as required. (6928)

G. I. P. RAILWAY

SPECIAL TRAIN NOTICE

BOMBAY RACES

The public are informed that the Poona-Bombay "RACE SPECIAL" previously cancelled will now run on December the 27th and will leave Poona at 10-10 A.M. (S. T.). On the return journey it will depart from Byculla at 8 P.M. (S.T.).

WANTED
CLERKS FOR THE ARMY

Commencing pay Rs. 61/- per month approx. plus free food, clothing and accommodation.

INITIAL TERMS OF SERVICE

Duration of War and up to 12 months thereafter subject to proviso that individual's services are so long required.

All candidates must be prepared to serve overseas if required to do so.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Age 17½ to 41 years. Physically fit.

Matriculates or men up to Matriculate Standard.

Able to read English and write it legibly.

Previous office experience and ability to use a typewriter desirable.

APPLY NEAREST:

Technical Recruiting Office, Staunton Road, POONA.
" " " Esplanade Maidan, BOMBAY.
" " " MHOW, C. I.
(6587)

Public Notices

NOTICE.

APPLICATIONS for enlistment as Candidates for Clerical Posts in the Co-operative Department are invited from persons who are natives of the Province of Bombay. GRADE:— Rs. 25-5/2-55. MINIMUM QUALIFICATION:—Matriculation Examination. AGE LIMIT AS ON 1-2-1942— 23 for Advanced and 26 for Intermediate and Backward. Last date for receipt of applications is 31ST JANUARY, 1942. Particulars and prescribed forms of applications are obtainable from the Office of the Registrar, Co-operative Societies & Director of Rural Development, Poona, and will be supplied on receipt of (i) an addressed (large) envelope bearing postage stamps of the value of 2¼ annas, *and* (ii) one rupee only in cash or by an INDIAN POSTAL ORDER *(not crossed)* in favour of the "Registrar of Co-operative Societies & Director of Rural Development, Poona."

S. M. IKRAM,
Registrar and Director. 6918

Legal Notices

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT FORT WILLIAM IN BENGAL

Ordinary Original Civil Jurisdiction.

In the Matter of the Insurance Act IV of 1938;
And
Of the DESH KALYAN PROVIDENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 10th day of November, 1941, an application was presented by the abovenamed company to the High Court of Judicature at Fort William in Bengal for reduction of all policy contracts of the said Company in force on the 31st day of July, 1941 under unsound Schemes identical to the Schemes incorporated in the Company's prospectus, dated March, 1937 and of all policies converted from the said unsound Schemes to sound schemes and in force on the said 31st day of July 1941 on the lines recommended by Mr. J. C. Sen, M.A., B.L., A.I.A., Actuary, and that the said application is directed to be heard before the Court taking interlocutory matters on Monday the 19th day of January 1942. Any policyholder desiring to oppose the said application should appear at the time of hearing by himself or his attorney or advocate for that purpose. Copies of the petition and Report of the Actuary can be seen at the Registered Office of the said company at No. 15, Clive Row, Calcutta, or at Messrs. Mantganikar Shantinath & Brothers, Insurance Building, Tabib Land, Hubli, Dist. Dharwar, or at Messrs. S. Sukhthanekar & Co., No. 12, Ravte's Building, Girgaon, Bombay 4. or at the office of the undersigned at No. 10 Old Post Office Street, Calcutta. Copies of the said petition and Report will be furnished to any policyholder concerned requiring the same by the undersigned on payment of the prescribed charges for the same.

MUKHERJEE & LAHIRI,
Attorneys-at-Law and Attorneys for the petitioner company abovenamed.
10, Old Post Office Street,
CALCUTTA.
Dated the 21st day of November, 1941. (6930)

Legal Notices

NOTICE OF SALE

Re: sale of Property known as "Motafaram Villa" at Turner Road, Bandra.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That Messrs. CURSETJI FRAMJI VAKEEL, BURJORJI HORMASJI KATRAK and BAI SHERA BURJORJI KATRAK, (the Trustees of the property of the late Mr. Hormusji Dadabhoy Motafaram under an Indenture of Trust, dated 12th November, 1921, made Between the said Hormusji Dadabhoy Motafaram of the one part And the said Hormusji Dadabhoy Motafaram and Others of the other part) of Bandra Parsi Inhabitants, have contracted to sell the above property more particularly described in the Schedule hereunder written free from all encumbrances, to one of our clients.

ALL PERSONS having any claims against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge trust, share, partition, maintenance, easement, possession, assignment or otherwise howsoever are required to make the same known to the Chief Officer, Bandra Municipality; and to the Collector, Bombay Suburban District: and to the Purchaser's Attorneys at their Office at their address undermentioned, within fourteen days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claims, and the same (if any) will be considered to have been waived.

THE SCHEDULE ABOVE REFERRED TO.

ALL THAT piece or parcel of land or ground with the bungalow, messuage, outhouses and other buildings standing thereon situate lying and being at Turner Road in Bandra in the Bombay Suburban District in Taluka Salsette in the District Bombay Suburban in the registration Sub District of Bandra bearing non-agricultural survey No. 446 of Bandra containing by admeasurement one thousand and sixty two square yards be the same a little more or less and bounded as follows that is to say on or towards the North by the Turner Road aforesaid, on or towards the South by vacant piece of land belonging to a Marwadi, on or towards the West by a property of Ignatius D'Monte and on or towards the East by the vacant land of Dr. A. D'Monte and the buildings whereon are assessed by the Municipality of Bandra under House No. 14 Turner Road and which said premises are now partly in the occupation of the Settlers family and partly in the occupation of tenants.

Dated this 27th day of December, 1941.

MINOCHEHER MANCHERSHA HIRALAL & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys
Address: 41-45, Medows Street Fort, Bombay. (6908)

GRAND GALA OPENING TO-DAY AT 1-0 P.M.

Should father choose the would be husbands for their educated daughters? See.

SHADI

RANJIT'S glorious Present
MADHURI—MOTILAL—KHURSHID
Director—JAYANT DESAI
Daily at 4, 7, & 10, p.m.
Matinee on Sunday and Monday 1-0 p.m.
On WEDNESDAY, 31ST MORNING AT 10 A.M.
NEW THEATRE'S Popular present
"PARICHAYA"
(In BENGALI)
SAIGAL KANAN
CHITRA
Vincent Road Dadar
Free List Entirely Suspended

BROADWAY
(DADAR)
4 SHOWS TO-DAY ONLY
at 1-30, 4-15, 7 & 10 p.m.
SAGAR'S
Side Splitting Comedy
300 DAYS AND AFTER
TO-MORROW AND MON. AT 6-30 P.M.
CLASSICAL DANCES by
UDAY SHANKAR
and The Centre Group of 25 Artistes
ONLY TWO SHOWS
By Special Arrangement
Book in advance
Rates:—Rs 5-12, 3-6, 2-4 & Re. 1-2.

Legal Notices

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Messrs. AHMED HAJI SIDDICK KHATRI, ISMAIL HAJI SIDDICK KHATRI, CASSUM HAJI SIDDICK KHATRI and HAJI UMAR HAJI SIDDICK KHATRI, all of Bombay Mahomedan Inhabitants have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our clients. All persons having any claim to the said property by way of inheritance, gift, lease, lien, maintenance, mortgage charge, sale or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned within 14 days from the date hereof. All other claims, if any, which are not so received will be considered as null, void and waived and the purchase will be completed without reference to any such claims.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece or parcel of land or ground now formed into one plot partly of the Pension and Tax (since redeemed) and partly of the Foras Tenure containing by admeasurement 15,602.78 and 63 Square Yards or thereabouts respectively but on actual measurement 15,392 Square Yards and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under New Survey Nos. 1-2-3-4 and 1|1891

1890

and Cadastral Survey No. 1374 of Lower Parel Division together with the messuage tenement or dwelling house standing thereon assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under G Ward Nos. 3572, 3573, 3574, 3575(1), 3575(2), 3575(3), 3575(4), 3575(5), 3575(7) and Street Nos. 1034, 1035, 1036, 131A, 141B 133@ 137B, 119B, 119A, 139@ 139B and 139D, and which said premises are situate at Tulsi Pipe Road in the Registration sub-District of Bombay and bounded as follows: that is to say on or towards the East by Tulsi Pipe Road and the property of Abdul Karim Haji Mussa, on or towards the West by Dadar Kumbharwada Road, on or towards the North by the property of N. M. Dias and on or towards the South partly by the property of Muhomed Nurmuhomed, partly by the property of Meghji Vallabhdas and partly by the property of M. Domingo Rodrigues.

Dated this 26th day of December, 1941.

LAKHIA, & CO.,
Purchasers' Attorneys.
Address:—
Messrs. LAKHIA & CO.,
Solicitors, 6, Bell Lane, Fort, Bombay. (6931)

4th CROWDED WEEK
KOHINOOR
CINEMA DADAR
ATRE'S MAIDEN HIT
PAYACHI DASI
DURGA KHOTE, VANMALA
Daily 4-30, 7-15 & 10 P.M.
Matinee 1-30 on Sat., Sun. & Holidays.

ASHOK
was
GREAT
ASHOK
Pictures
are
EQUALLY GREAT
Watch for their First Hit

PALACE Daily at 4, 6-30 & 10 p.m.
GLORIOUS 2ND WEEK!
Have a Rendezvous with Gaiety .....Where Life is Fun and Love is New!
THAT NIGHT IN RIO
The Screen's Greatest, Grandest Musical in Technicolor, with ALICE FAYE, DON AMECHE. CARMEN MIRANDA
TO-MORROW, MON. AND WED. MORNING AT 10-30 A.M HEAR "BLUE DANUBE WALTZ". "Hungarian Rhapsody" and other hit melodies in the immortal musical
BLUE DANUBE
THURS. 1ST MORN. AT 10-30
BUCK PRIVATES

Digitized with financial assistance from the Government of Maharashtra on 18 April, 2017

Cuticura

OINTMENT

Apply Cuticura Ointment to skin eruptions. Its soothing, medicinal and antiseptic action works wonders. At the very first touch you feel its marvellous soothing effects

SOOTHES & HEALS

50

THE UNION BANK
OF INDIA, LTD.

ESTD. in Bombay in 1919.
HEAD OFFICE: Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay.

BRANCHES:—Cotton Exchange Building, Kalbadevi Road, Bombay; Katha Bazar, Mandvi, Bombay; Rajkot (Civil Station)
CAPITAL PAID UP: Rs. 39,90,000
RESERVE FUND: Rs. 10,00,000
Dividend Equalisation Fund Rs. 60,000
Deposits on 31-12-40 Rs. 1,95,72,000

DIRECTORS:—
M. S. Captain, Esq., (Chairman), Lachhmandas Harkhchand Daga, Esq., K. R. P. Shroff, Esq., Vithaldas Kanji, Esq., B. N. Karanjia, Esq., Ramdeo Anandilal Podar Esq. Haridas Madhawdas, Esq., and Dinshaw D. Romer, Esq.

Current Deposit Accounts opened and interest allowed at ½ per cent. per annum on daily balances upto Rupees 2 Lakhs.

Fixed Deposits for long and short periods received on favourable terms.

Savings Bank Accounts—Interest allowed at 1 1/4 per cent. per annum on minimum monthly balances upto Rs. 10,000. Withdrawals allowed twice a week. Operations by cheques allowed.

Advances made on approved securities.

All kinds of Banking business transacted.

SAFE DEPOSIT VAULT—Cotton Exchange Building, Kalbadevi Road.

Rents very moderate.
B. M. BHARGAVA,
Secretary.

ARE YOU INTERESTED TO BUILD UP YOUR INDUSTRIES IN YOUR OWN WAY

INDUSTRY

The Monthly Magazine of Technology and Trade

will help you to find out ways as it is doing for thousands for over thirty-two years.

Yearly subs. Rs. 4-, Free delivery; Single copy As. 6. Manager, INDUSTRY, 22, R. G. Kar Road, Calcutta.

WHY DO YOU LOOK SO WORRIED?
WHAT SHALL I DO? I AM SUFFERING FROM RINGWORM. I HAVE USED SEVERAL REMEDIES BUT WITHOUT EFFECT.
HAVE YOU TRIED POWELLS KURAIN? IT IS A GREAT SPECIFIC FOR RINGWORM.
IF YOU ARE SO SURE I WILL TRY ONE BOTTLE TO-DAY
YOU LOOK SO HAPPY! ANY GOOD NEWS?
ONE APPLICATION OF POWELLS' KURAIN HAS GIVEN ME A GREAT RELIEF. I WOULD LIKE TO TRY THEIR OTHER REMEDIES WHICH I AM TOLD ARE EQUALLY EFFICACIOUS
NEXT DAY.

POWELLS LIMITED.
Lamington Road, BOMBAY.

Prospective Situation Of Indian Cotton

UNPRECEDENTED PRICE DISPARITY

Cotton Growers' Income Fall By Crores

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta & Co. Ltd., have issued their 14th annual called "Indian Cotton Review" and the most important part of the same is given below :—

The Indian cotton season 1940/41 terminated on August 31 last. The end-of-the-season balance sheet is as under :—

(EXCLUSIVE OF FOREIGN GROWTHS)
(Approximate Figures)

Supply throughout India:	400 lbs. bales
Carryover all-India as on 1st September 1940	1,475,000
Approximate crop for 1940/41	6,400,000
Total supply for the season	7,875,000
Distribution:	
Exports all-India (inclusive of Kathiawar ports)	2,200,000
All-India mill consumption	3,575,000
Extras for hand-spinning, etc.	350,000
Total distribution	6,125,000
Balance carried over throughout India as on 1st Septr. 1941	1,750,000

The balance sheet given above should speak for itself. After all, it does not make as depressing a showing as at one time it was expected to make in view of the complete loss of the European market which in the pre-war decade used to take up an annual average of about 935,000 bales of Indian cotton. Apart from record domestic consumption, the fact that the two Far-Eastern markets, namely, Japan and Japan-occupied China continued to buy Indian cotton almost throughout the season was largely responsible for the satisfactory results that have been achieved. Next season, however, the whole situation is likely to be reversed since trade relations with those countries have practically been severed for the duration of war.

WORLD PRODUCTION

World's production of all cottons during the season 1940-41 is now estimated at 28,721,000 bales, which with the previous year's carryover of 20,464,000 bales gave a total supply of 49,185,000 bales. These figures compared with the 1939-40 crop of 17,397,000 bales and a total supply of 49,035,000 bales which included a carryover of 21,638,000 bales from the 1938-39 season. On the distribution side, consumption during 1940-41 totalled 26,788,000 bales, compared with 26,496,000 bales during the previous season. About 225,000 bales of cotton are estimated to have been destroyed during 1940-41, compared with 85,000 bales in 1939-40. Carryover of world cottons as on July 31, 1941 works out on the basis of above figures at around 22,172,000 bales, compared with 20,464,000 bales a year ago. World consumption of all cottons during 1940-41, no doubt, fell short of production, but the difference was not as large as was expected previously in view of the disruption caused to the industry in various countries.

World consumption of U. S. cotton in 1940-41 has been estimated at 11,919,000 bales against 12,875,000 bales during the previous season. Of this, the mills in U. S. A. consumed 9,728,000 bales, an all-time record, compared with 7,616,000 bales in 1939-40 and the previous high record of 7,950,000 bales in 1936-37. That the U. S. cotton spinning industry operated at 123 per cent of capacity at the season-end, compared with 86.6 per cent a year ago, should further be indicative of the record mill activity. It should be added that the above consumption figure of 9,728,000 bales is exclusive of about 1,000,000 bales distributed by the U. S. Government not through mills. Total domestic consumption in U. S. A. should, thus, amount to about 10,700,000 bales or only about 1,710,000 bales less than the entire 1940-41 production in the States.

CARRYOVER

The world carryover of U. S. cotton as on July 31, 1941, in the absence of relevant statistics from consuming countries, has been provisionally estimated at 13,058,000 bales compared with 12,592,000 bales a year ago. Of this, about 11,230,000 bales were in the United States. According to the U. S. Department of Agriculture, domestic supply of 'free' cotton as on July 31, 1941 totalled 5,750,00s bales, compared with 1,886,000 bales a year ago. Making allowance for about 3,180,000 bales which entered the loan and loan releases which totalled 5,042,000 bales during 1940-41 U. S. Government's loan holdings as on August 1, 1941, have been estimated at 6,480,000 bales, compared with 8,755,000 bales a year ago.

With a view to make good the losses sustained in raw cotton exports, the U. S. Government almost doubled the rates of subsidy on exports of cotton manufactures in August 1940. In the new season, 1941-42, they have announced a special cotton subsidy of 2 1/2 cents per lb. on exports to Canada. Government loan cotton has also been kept on offer at 13.25 cents per lb. or more than 4 cents per lb. cheaper than the spot average in the U. S. markets. The special subsidy of 2 1/2 cents per lb. which has lately been enhanced to 3 cents, is open to revision from day-to-day. However, the total consuming capacity of Canada being hardly in excess of 525,000 bales, total U. S. exports to that country are not expected to exceed 250,000 bales. Terms of the cotton-rubber-barter with the United Kingdom have already been fulfilled. It is now only the lease-and-lend shipments of cotton to Great Britain that are expected to maintain U. S. exports at about the levels of last year. However, in view of the losses of agricultural and industrial areas that Russia has sustained in the Ukrain and West Russia it is quite likely that the United States may be able to export, lease-and-lend-law permitting, the cotton requirements of Russia; and the United Kingdom, also, may consume more U. S. cotton for exporting piecegoods to Russia. Despite this new demand, total exports of U. S. cotton during the 1941-42 season, can hardly be expected to exceed 1 1/2 million bales.

The brightest spot for U. S. cotton, however, is the record domestic consumption. In view of the astronomical amounts of contemplated defence spending in the United States; total consumption within U. S. A. in 1941-42 on mill and Government accounts is likely to total about 11 million bales or about the same as the crop production in the season 1941-42. With a distribution disappearance of over 12 1/2 million bales, the domestic carryover in U. S. A. as on July 31, 1942 is roughly being estimated at around 10 1/4 million bales.

India, perhaps, is the only country in the world where production and marketing of cotton remain unaided by the State. Soil conservation methods and parity payments as in U. S. A., loan machinery and other State-aids as provided for in U.S.A., Brazil, Argentine and Egypt, payments of subsidy on production as in Spain and Australia or on exports as in U. S. A. and guarantees of State purchases of cotton as in Egypt and Burma are devices which are considered to be misfits in the orthodox structure of Indian economy as devised by the authorities.

EXPORT OUTLOOK

Indian cotton stands on its own merits. If it sold the cheapest, it was bought and exported in ever increasing quantities throughout the world. If it was sold either on par with or a little dearer than other competitive growths, then its exports used to decline. That worked well in peacetime when the world's export outlets were free. With the war, however, the whole prospect has changed. Even if Indian cotton continues to sell throughout 1941-42 at the cheapest level in the world as it is doing to-day, neither China nor Japan would be permitted to buy it. Although India is a member of the sterling area, even the United Kingdom may not like to buy Indian cotton if considerations of freight space demand that attitude from her.

Indian cotton has been practically left in the doldrums at the end of 1940-41. For, trading with Japan and Japanese-occupied China, which bought about 15 lakh bales of Indian cotton during 1940-41 compared with 17 1/4 lakh bales in 1939-40, has practically come to an end with the promulgation of the freezing order on July 26, 1941. Thus, except for shipments that have taken place in fulfilment of old commitments after August 1941, our exports to China and Japan during the new season 1941-42 must run on a 'nil' basis, compared with the pre-war ten-year average (1929-30 to 1938-39) exports of 1,809,000 bales per year.

At its maximum, Britain's purchases during 1940-41 may approximate a total of about 450,000 bales, while the United States may take up about 200,000 bales. Total shipments of Indian cotton throughout the season, 1941-42, after making allowance for exports to the Far East that have already taken place, cannot thus be expected to exceed 700,000 bales which will be about 68 per cent less as compared with 2,200,000 bales in 1940-41.

DOMESTIC CONSUMPTION

As in the United States, the only bright spot in the cotton situation in India was and continues to be the rising curve of domestic consumption. Indian mills consumed over 3,580,000 bales of Indian cotton during the season 1940-41 which constituted an all-time record. Consumption was stepped up in view of the enlarged home market following decreased imports of British textiles and continued civil and military demand for goods from the Eastern group of nations. Now that imports of Chinese and Japanese yarns and textiles into India herself and the remaining members of the Eastern group of nations have been discontinued, production in India has necessarily got to be maximised. For, now the Indian mill industry has to produce yarn both for itself and the handloom industry. Under the circumstances, it is expected that consumption of Indian cotton by mills in India throughout the season 1941-42 should total, conservatively speaking, about 3,800,000 bales which, no doubt, will be a very desirable consummation, should it actually occur. There are optimists who are figuring out a total consumption of Indian cotton of 4,000,000 bales during 1941-42. If as has been suggested by the Government authorities, Supply Department's specifications are further modified so as to permit and encourage increased use of Indian short staple cottons which have lost their biggest market since the issuance of the 'freezing' order in July last, actual consumption of Indian cotton during 1941-42 may closely approximate or even outrun the forecasts of the optimists.

It will be premature at this stage to estimate the 1941-42 crop in India. In view of the unseasonably hot and dry weather of October, 1941, which is said to have done a lot of harm to the early-sown Oomra and other crops, a crop not exceeding 5,700,000 bales is conservatively being estimated at the moment of writing. Added to the season-end carryover of 1,750,000 bales, the total 1941-42 supplies may aggregate about 7,450,000 bales. With prospective distribution, as discussed above, of about 4,550,000 bales (inclusive of 350,000 bales consumed at homes in India), the carryover at the end of the season 1941-42 might amount to about 2,600,000 bales, compared with 1,750,000 bales at the end of 1940-41. The prospective surplus, which necessarily would contain a burdensome proportion of short staples, would undoubtedly be large; but, unhappily enough, one has got to accustom oneself to increasing surpluses particularly of short staples at least for the duration of war.

COTTON GROWER.

In view of the unprecedented price-disparity and despite the larger crop the income of the Indian cotton farmer during 1940-41 (exclusive of seeds) has declined to about Rs. 49 crores, compared with Rs. 54 crores in 1939-40. This is in direct contrast with the fortunes of the U. S. cotton grower whose income in 1940-41 has been the third best since 1930-31 and whose 1941-42 income even at current prices is expected to be the biggest since 1920.

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay: December 26.

The local cotton market opened steady at Rs. 217/8 for Broach April/May delivery but on discouraging war news from the East prices declined to Rs. 214 on general selling.

At the decline there was moderate buying and prices steadied at Rs. 215.

Recent developments in the East have unnerved buyers and the market feeling is becoming pessimistic.

Thereafter there was moderate support from Khelaallas and prices improved to Rs. 216/8. At this level prices ruled quiet with scattered business. The tone of the market was steady.

Closing quotations at 2 p.m. were as under :—

	Rs.	a.	p.
BROACH April/May	216	12	0
BROACH July/August	222	4	0
OOMRA Dec/Jary	183	0	0
OOMRA March	166	0	0
OOMRA May	167	0	0
BENGAL Dec/Jany	131	8	0
BENGAL March	133	0	0
BENGAL May	134	8	0

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay: December 26.

All foreign markets were closed yesterday. The local market opened quiet but there was renewed buying on unfavourable war news from the East. Silver opened at Rs. 64 and advanced to Rs. 64/4. Premium of ready was maintained. The Gold market opened at Rs. 45/8 and rose to Rs. 46/2 and steadied at Rs. 46. The undertone was good and quotations were as under: Gold Silver

Ready	Rs.	46	8	0	69 4 0
Posh	Rs.	46	2	0	64 4 0
Maha	Rs.	46	2	0	64 0 0

SUGAR MARKET

Bombay: December 26.

Fine White Java Sugar per cwt—
Java ready from Bond Rs. 18
African from Bond Rs. 17/4
Shipment September Rs. 11/10 F.B.H.
Indian Sugars Ready—
Ordinary Rs. 17/6 to 17/8
Large grain Rs. 17/10 to 18/8
Bombay Group March delivery Rs. 13/10
Tone :—Steady.

LINSEED AND WHEAT

Bombay: December 26.

Linseed May	9	2	3
Wheat January	6	12	0
Wheat May	7	0	9

PEPPER AND GINGER

Bombay: December 26.

Pepper ready	103	0	0
Maha Sud 15	97	0	0
Chaitra Sud 15	99	0	0
Ginger ready	35	0	0
Maha Sud 15	28	8	0
Chaitra Sud 15	28	0	0

METAL EXCHANGE QUOTATION

Bombay: December 26.

The following are the rates to-day in the market at about 3 p.m. :—

Copper sheets 1b. 21—Rs. 118, 28—113 35—111, 42—109, 49-56—108.

Brass sheets Flag Brand 1b. 20-21—Rs. 100, 24—98, 28—96, 35—94, 42—92, 49-56—90.

Spelter P.H. Rs. 75. Rosita Rs. 72. Country make Rs. 70. Pigiead 'B.M' refined Rs. 39/8 per cwt.

Tin Ingot Penang Rs. 59 per qr.

SETTLEMENT RATES

Copper sheets Chaiter Rs. 108.
Pigiead 'B.M. Maha Rs 30. Tin Ingot Penang Maha Rs. 64.

Benares Resents Hindu Leaders' Arrests

BENARES, December 25.

Resolutions condemning the Bihar Government's ban on the annual session of the Hindu Mahasabha at Bhagalpur culminating in the arrests of Mr. Savarkar and other Sabha leaders were adopted at a public meeting of Hindus this evening.

The meeting also expressed resentment at the failure of the Viceroy to intervene in the matter for the protection of the elementary civic right of association of Hindus.—A. P.

PRICE CONTROL MOVE IN POONA

Public Meeting Urges Govt. To Take Steps

POONA, Dec. 26.

A meeting attended by several leading citizens and local traders in the Municipal Office last evening to consider the advisability of price control in view of the abnormal rise in the prices of foodstuffs and other articles unanimously requested the Government to take necessary measure for the regular supply of foodstuffs and other articles and compel the local dealers to prepare a list of the articles with them and sell them at a normal price.

The meeting also resolved that the Government with the concurrence of the local Municipal Authorities should take itself the responsibility of purchasing the articles from the manufacturers and making them available to people at a reasonable price.—A.P.

Price Controlling In Raichur

RAICHUR: Dec. 25.

Subedar of Gulbarga Division visited this place and toured in connection with the famine condition. Two meetings were held in the Collectorate under the presidentship of the Subedar, one in connection with the controlling of rates and the other was that of a War Committee.

It is learnt that the Price Controlling Committee fixed the rates of wheat at Rs. 24/4 per Palla for wholesale and 4 1/2 seers per rupee for retail sale as fixed by the Government.

It was also announced that persons going against this rule shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three years and shall also be liable to be fined.

Mr. Ziaul Arifeen, Vakil, and Mr. G. Madhavarao, Vakil, spoke on war condition in Urdu and Kannada respectively and requested those assembled to help the effort.

The Subedar went yesterday by Mail to his headquarters at Gulbarga.

HYDERABAD MEDICAL CONFERENCE

Messrs. Dr. B. G. Deshpande, L. Shrinivasrao and Mr. Ananthrao are starting today by Express to Hyderabad to attend the Medical Conference.

EXPORT OF WHEAT BANNED

MONTGOMERY, Dec. 26.

Mr. Abdul Hameed, the District Magistrate of Montgomery, has promulgated an order under Section 144, Cr.P.C., prohibiting export without permission of wheat and wheat flour including 'maida' and 'suji', from Montgomery District to any place outside the district for a period of two months from to-day.—A.P.

Restrictions On Yagnik Removed

AHMEDABAD, December 26.

The Government of Bombay have cancelled the order of restrictions under the Defence of India Rules passed on the movements of Mr. Indulal Yagnik, a Kisan worker, after his release from jail on the expiry of his term of imprisonment.—A. P.

BIHAR GOVT. ACTION CONDEMNED

Rajputana Hindu Mahasabha Resents Ban On Bhagalpur Session

AJMER, December 26.

Resolutions were passed here yesterday by the Rajputana Provincial Hindu Mahasabha condemning the Bihar Government's action in placing a ban on the Bhagalpur session of the Hindu Mahasabha and arresting the President and leaders of the Hindu Mahasabha, calling upon Hindu electorates to vote for Hindu candidates who pledge to safeguard Hindu interests and urging Hindus to join the military forces and carry active propaganda to join the A.R.P. organization.

Shradhanand Day was celebrated here on the 24th.—A. P.

"TRAMPLING ON THEIR RIGHTS"

MADRAS, Dec. 26.

Government's action in banning the Hindu Mahasabha Conference was strongly criticised at a public meeting at Tilak Ghat under the auspices of the Hindu Association of Triplicane.

Capt. V. D. Nimbkar, who led a procession to the meeting, emphasised that Hindu Mahasabha was one of the most peace-loving organisations in the country and unlike other political organisations the Mahasabhites always had been prepared to co-operate with Government. He regretted that despite all that Government were trying "To trample on their rights".—A.P.

Kulti Communal Riots Appeal Judgment

BURDWAN, December 25.

Mr. B. K. Guha, District and Sessions Judge, has delivered judgment in the appeals preferred by four Hindus and eight Muslims, who had been sentenced to various terms of imprisonment by a special Magistrate on a charge of having taken part in the Kulti communal riots in connection with a religious procession on September 22.

The Judge has set aside the conviction of the two Hindus, but upheld the conviction of the other two Hindus.

The sentences passed on three of the Muslims were set aside and that on another was modified from six weeks' rigorous imprisonment to a fine of Rs. 100. The conviction of the remaining Muslims accused was upheld.—A. P.

SUBTLER MUSIC!

.....RICHER THAN ALL THE MUSIC THAT APPEALS TO THE EAR...THE SUBTLER MUSIC THAT APPEALS DIRECTLY TO THE HEART.

IT COMES FROM SAKHU'S SOUL

It Moves Every Heart

IN

Sant Sakhu

PRABHAT'S EMOTIONAL DRAMA

Directed by
DAMLE, FATEHLAL & RAJA NENE

SHE HAS WON THE HEART OF BOMBAY

14th WEEK AT CENTRAL

HINDI: Only on Sat., Sun. & Holidays 7 p.m.
MARATHI Daily 4, 7 & 9-45
Sat., Sun. Holidays 1-30, 4 & 9-45 p.m.

DESPOTISM & DIPLOMACY .. ..

Pay their own dividends
....And how?

SEE IT FOR YOURSELF IN NAVYUG'S Scathing Satire on Despots & Diplomats

PRODUCER: WINAYAK
Story: KHANDEKAR
Direction: JUNNARKAR

Sangam

8TH EXHILARATING WEEK AT

NEW WEST END

SAT., SUN., MON., WED., THURS.
HINDI: 4 P.M.
MARATHI: 1, 7, 10 P.M.

A 'PEERLESS PICTURES' RELEASE

Before You Decide To Educate Your Daughters

You Should Better See With Your Daughters

'ROYAL'-JEWEL No. 16

'SWAMI'

(HER LORD)

Directed by
KARDAR

स्वामी
ROYAL RELEASE NO.16

Delighting Thousand even in 3rd MONTH

Starring:
SITARA, JAYRAJ, YAKUB, RADHARANI JEEVAN, RAJKUMARI.

MAJESTIC

Daily: 4, 7, 10 p.m.
Matinees 1 p.m. on Sat., Sun. and Xmas Holidays

"SWAMI" 4th WEEK at POONA—'Paramount'

ASHOK
was
POPULAR
ASHOK
Pictures
will be
EQUALLY POPULAR
Watch for their First Hit

This helps you fight MALARIA

The taking of two 'Phyllosan' tablets *regularly*, three times a day before meals, strengthens you against the effects of malarial attack. It sustains your vital force, maintains and renews the vigour of your blood, and fortifies your heart.

'Phyllosan' tablets are the ideal tonic and revitalizer for dwellers in trying climates. Dr. J. Neil Leitch says: *"The writer has obtained very satisfactory results with these tablets."*

Make 'Phyllosan' a *regular* habit at mealtimes and you will find a marked improvement in your health and vitality.

MIND YOUR THROAT!

The gateway through which the germs of many diseases enter your system with dire consequences.

Take time by the forelock and guard against the inroad of diseases through this route.

PUMILET

The Palatable Pastille

THAT SOOTHES, PREVENTS, PROTECTS

CONTAINS
ACTIVE PRINCIPLE OF PINE, THE BEST DISINFECTANT OF THROAT AND LUNGS.

A Bengal Chemical Product

Agents: ORIENT DRUG AGENCY
Princess Street, Bombay 2.

Try Degon's "EYE-CURE" (Regd.) a guaranteed Specific for CATARACT and all other Eye-troubles. No risk Thousands cured without operation Safe, Sure, World-wide reputed and tested Success Guaranteed
Price Rs. : Postage As. -/10/-
KAMALA WORKS,
(B/4) Panchpota Bengal,
Agents: Thomson & Taylor Ltd., Esplanade Road, Fort Bombay

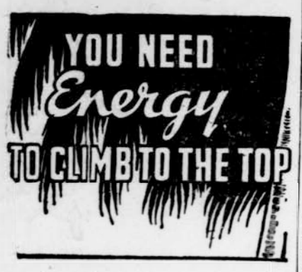
ARE YOU MARRIED

OR ABOUT TO BE MARRIED

We will teach you exactly what you require

For Full particulars under plain cover Apply

H. H. STORES, P. B. 23, Delhi.



To reach the top of the towering cocoanut palm, or of life's success ladder, you need sound, vigorous health and plenty of active energy.

Take Waterbury's Compound regularly. Its malt and liver extracts supply you with rich reserves of energy and strength. Its iron, copper and other vital nutritive ingredients tone up the entire system, help to create sound health, vigour and vitality.

Begin today to protect your health, to build strength and happiness for the future. Buy a bottle of Waterbury's Compound. Two sizes—8 oz. and 16 oz. bottles.

Agricultural Economics Should Be Varsity Subject

India's Prosperity Depends On Fields, Says Sir Manilal Nanavati

POONA, Dec. 26.

"I believe that a knowledge of the principles and problems of agricultural economics should be a part of the general education and training that our universities provide and an essential element of the equipment of the administrator and Government official in this country, who must be expected to take an active and wholesome interest in the welfare of the rural population. It is upon the homes and fields of the cultivators that the strength of the country and the foundations of its prosperity must ultimately rest", said Sir Manilal Nanavati, Deputy Governor of the Reserve Bank of India, Bombay, inaugurating the third session of the Agricultural Economics Conference here this afternoon at the Agricultural College.

Sir Manilal said, "The preponderance of agriculture in the economy of the country and the overwhelming dependence of the population on this one industry lends to the study of agricultural economics a peculiar significance. The study of economics has no doubt made good progress in our universities and economics is now among the most popular subjects. But the study of this subject in India, in spite of the increasing attention to Indian economic problems, is over-weighted with theory, assumptions and illustrations which are under the highly mechanised and organised communities of the West than of the agriculturally primitive and backward countries like India.

At any rate, only a fraction of the area and population of this country answer fully to the assumptions of the economic theory, and description of the economic facts that form the basis of economic studies in this country.

Proceeding Sir Manilal said that the study of the subject of agricultural economics and the Indian agricultural economy has not so far been placed on a proper footing in this country.

BETTER PRODUCTION

In emphasising the importance of agricultural economics, continued Sir Manilal, we do not by any means reflect on the importance of industrial development.

There is, however, a frame of mind which despairs of the slow-going methods of improving our agriculture and reforming the cultivator's practices, and regards rapid industrialisation as the one and only means of lifting us out of material poverty.

Although industrialisation may provide a stimulus to agricultural development, he said, the actual ways and means of bringing about better agricultural production and prices and thereby raising the level of material well-being of the rural population have to be carefully planned and co-ordinated—and herein lies the special domain of agricultural economics.

Concluding Sir Manilal mentioned some of the problems of the agricultural economy that would require study and said that they had made some tentative attempts at studying some of those problems in the agricultural Credit Department of the Reserve Bank.

Earlier in his speech Sir Manilal paid a tribute to the Agricultural Economics Society for the work done for the improvement of agricultural economy and visualised for the society a more continuous and permanent organisation, conducting investigations into specific aspects of agricultural researches and crystallising them where possible into concrete proposals.—A. P.

Ex-Parly. Secretary Released

LUCKNOW, Dec. 26.

Mr. Ajit Prasad Jain, former Parliamentary Secretary, was released to-day from the Shahjehanpur jail, six days before the expiry of his term.—A. P.

Far East Indians Association

To the Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—Following the interview that some of the Indians interested in the Far East business and having relatives there, they had with the Hon. Mr. Aney on the 19th instant, it is intended to form an Association of those interested so that proper information as asked by Mr. Aney will be supplied to him through a responsible body.

With this view a few Indians gathered last Monday and decided to call a meeting of Indians in the Far East business and having relatives there.

Accordingly a meeting of the Indians so interested in the Far East business and having relatives there will be held in the office of the newspaper "Janma-Bhoomi" in Medows Street, Fort, Bombay, (No. 138, Medows Street) on Saturday, the 27th instant at 4-0 p. m. when the following agenda will be taken up for consideration:—

1. To form a provisional committee and to appoint office-bearers to start the Association.
2. To adopt a framework of the constitution for the Association.
3. To prepare lists of Indians in the affected areas in the Far East.
4. To prepare lists of properties belonging to Indians in the Far East.
5. To take up any other matter with the permission of the Chair.

All those interested as above are requested to attend.—Yours, etc.

K. B. VAIDYA,
Provisional Hon. Secretary.

Bombay, Dec. 25.

A.-I. T. U. C. NOT YET DECIDED ON WAR ISSUE

The adjourned meeting of the Bombay Provincial Trade Union Congress was held on Friday evening at the Servants of India Society, when Mr. S C. Joshi presided.

Mr. Lalji Pendse, while moving the resolution on war said that the General Council of the A.I.T.U.C. recognise that it must redefine its general policy towards this war in the terms of the interests of Indian workers and of the people and in keeping with the principle of international solidarity of the working class.

The war could no longer be regarded by the working class or the people of India as an Imperialist war. Winning this all people's war against Hitler and Fascism had become the pre-condition for the achievement of independence and complete democracy in the country.

The obstacle in the path of mobilising the full weight of India's resources and man-power, was the policy of the British Government in refusing to recognise India's right to independence.

M. N. ROY CRITICISED.

The policy pursued by Mr. M. N. Roy and his followers in the name of people's war and of anti-Fascism was in reality one of disruption in the task of uniting the Indian people for a really effective participation to win the war against Hitler and Fascism.

He appealed to the Indian National Congress to unconditionally call off boycott of Legislatures and local bodies and Satyagraha and join hands with the AITUC the A I Kisan Sangha and the Muslim League in formulating and fighting for the Charter of Demands.

Finally while appealing to the workers, the speaker concluded that the Trade Union Congress should call upon the constituent unions and workers not to wait till either the Congress or the Government takes action. On the other hand, it was the organised working class which had to take the initiative, and vigorously agitated to popularise this Charter among the workers and the people.

Mr. N M Joshi and Mr Purushotamdas Tricumdas opposed the motion.

Though there was a majority amongst those present in favour of the proposition as the votes polled did not come up to the percentage required to enable the motion to be adopted the meeting was adjourned 'sine die'.

Two more matches were decided in the All-India Dr. Ramlal Cup Hockey Tournament this evening. The Town Hall Club Shahjehanpur (Holders) beat the Lucknow Youngmen's Association "B" by three goals to nil and the Residency Blues defeated the Naini Wanderers, Nainital, by two goals to nil. —A. P.

COTTON:

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICES.

MARCH

New York, December 26

Previous closig	17.05
To-day's opening	16.98
Dinerence	—07
To-day's closing	16.95
Diarence	—10

BROACH EXPECTATION.

Broach April/May ..... Rs. 216

Mahatma Desires Full & Frank Discussions

Reason For Delay In Release Of Resolution

(Continued from Page 1)

the political situation may not be released to the Press this evening as expected earlier. The delay, it is stated in political circles is not due to ANY SHARP DIFFERENCE OF OPINION AMONG THE MEMBERS ON VARIOUS ISSUES FACING THE COMMITTEE, WHICH APPEARS NOW TO HAVE CONSIDERABLY NARROWED DOWN BY GANDHIJI'S TWO HOURS' SPEECH YESTERDAY, but because Gandhiji is keen on having full and frank discussions with the members before finally disposing of the resolution.

The resolution which Gandhiji himself drafted will be placed before the afternoon sitting of the Committee and discussions thereon, it is felt may continue till to-morrow evening.

Anyway the Committee is not likely to conclude its labours before to-morrow evening.

TREND OF MAHATMA'S SPEECH

Indications of Gandhiji's speech at yesterday's sitting of the Committee are now available. His speech mainly related to the efficacy of the cult of non-violence and the criticism against the Satyagraha movement, of which he is the leader. He appears to have said that both from moral and practical standpoint non-violence was the main instrument for achieving Swaraj or complete independence of India. HE DID NOT VISUALISE ANY LASTING PEACE EITHER FOR INDIA OR FOR THE WORLD UNLESS AND UNTIL THERE WAS COMPLETE DISARMAMENT OF NATIONS.

He further asserted that in the face of the present intransigent attitude of the Whitehall he was opposed to the complete abandonment of the Satyagraha movement however gravely he was concerned at the armament clashes at India's frontier. He is reported to have favoured further restriction, if necessary, of the present Satyagraha movement consistent with his policy of non-embarrassment to the British Government but the withdrawal of the movement, according to him, was improper and injudicious.

His speech was the subject of prolonged discussions among the members who were engaged in group talks this morning "Everything will go smoothly" was the remark made by a member, after the group talks were over, which tends to reflect on the decision of the Committee on the political situation.—United Press

States People Confer

The political situation in a number of Central India States like Ratlam, Jhabua and Bhopal, and in Bhavnagar, Rajpipla and other States came up for discussion at the meeting of the Standing Committee of the All-India States' People's Conference held to-night under the presidentship of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru. Dr. B. Pattabhi Sitaramayya, ex-President of the Conference, Rajkumari Amrit Kaur and Mr. Jai Narain Vyas, General Secretary, were among those present.

Earlier in the day, the committee had an informal meeting when administrative matters were discussed. It is learned that the committee also considered the question of shifting the headquarters of the conference from Bombay to either Wardha or Allahabad.

The "United Press" learns that after the informal meeting, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, President of the Conference, Dr. Pattabhi Sitaramayya, Jajkumari Amrit Kaur and Thakkar Bapa had interview with Gandhiji when they acquainted him with the present situation in Indian States and sought his guidance.

The committee is expected to issue a comprehensive statement dealing with the oppressive situation in different States and defining the duty of States people under the prevailing circumstances.

ADHAYAKSHA MATHOR BABU'S

Sakti Oushadhalaya

DACCA

The Premier Home of Ayurvedic Indigenous Drugs.
ESTD.:—1901

Branches all over India and Burma.

BOMBAY BRANCH:
413, A. Kalbadevi Road.

BASANTA KUSUMAKAR RASH

A Specific for Diabetes. Eliminates sugar most admirably and reduces specific gravity as well as number of times of urination. With suitable vehicles thickens vital fluid and cures impotency.

MANAGING PROPRIETOR:
MOTHURAMOHAN MUKHOPADHYAYA CHAKRAVARTY, B.A.

—:Proprietors:—
Mothuramohan, Phanindra Mohan and late Lalmohan Mukhopadhyaya Chakravarty.

Mica Mining & Trading Company of India Ltd.

Regd. Office: 5, Southern Avenue, CALCUTTA.
Mg. Agents: GUHA CHATTERJI & SIRCAR, Ltd.

Plenty of orders covering value of several lacs of rupees from Govt. of India, Tata Iron & Steel Co. Ltd., and other Industrial & Trading concerns are in hand for execution.

DIVIDEND PAID

12-1/2% ON ORDINARY SHARES
and
7% ON PREFERENCE SHARES.

A new Industry in India for manufacture of micanite and its products. The most profitable line ever established in this country.

WANTED INFLUENTIAL AGENTS to sell remaining shares of this Concern.

SECURITY FOR YOUR VALUABLES AT NOMINAL COST!

It is the only SAFE DEPOSIT VAULT in Girgaum. You can have a locker at as low a rent as Rs 5/- and upward per year.

SWASTIK SAFE DEPOSIT VAULT
SARASWAT BANK BUILDING,
OPPOSITE MAJESTIC CINEMA—GIRGAUM, BOMBAY.

PUBLIC CONFIDENCE MAKES "ORIENTAL"

India's Leading Life Assurance Company

	as at		
Policies in Force	31-12-40	Over Rs. 83	Crores
Funds	"	Over Rs. 27½	Crores
Annual Income	"	Over Rs. 4¾	Crores

For copy of our Prospectus giving full particulars of our most attractive schemes of assurance, please write to:—*THE MANAGER,*

ORIENTAL

GOVT. SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE Co., Ltd.
(Estd. in India, 1874)
ORIENTAL BUILDINGS, FORT, BOMBAY.
BRANCHES AND AGENTS ALL OVER INDIA.

Respectfully, Yours

The Scotch with CHARACTER

A noble Character not only commands respect, it has respect for you, for this famous Whisky has a genial and courteous personality, a Character that has a high regard for your enjoyment. You taste it in the magnificent mellow-rich flavour.

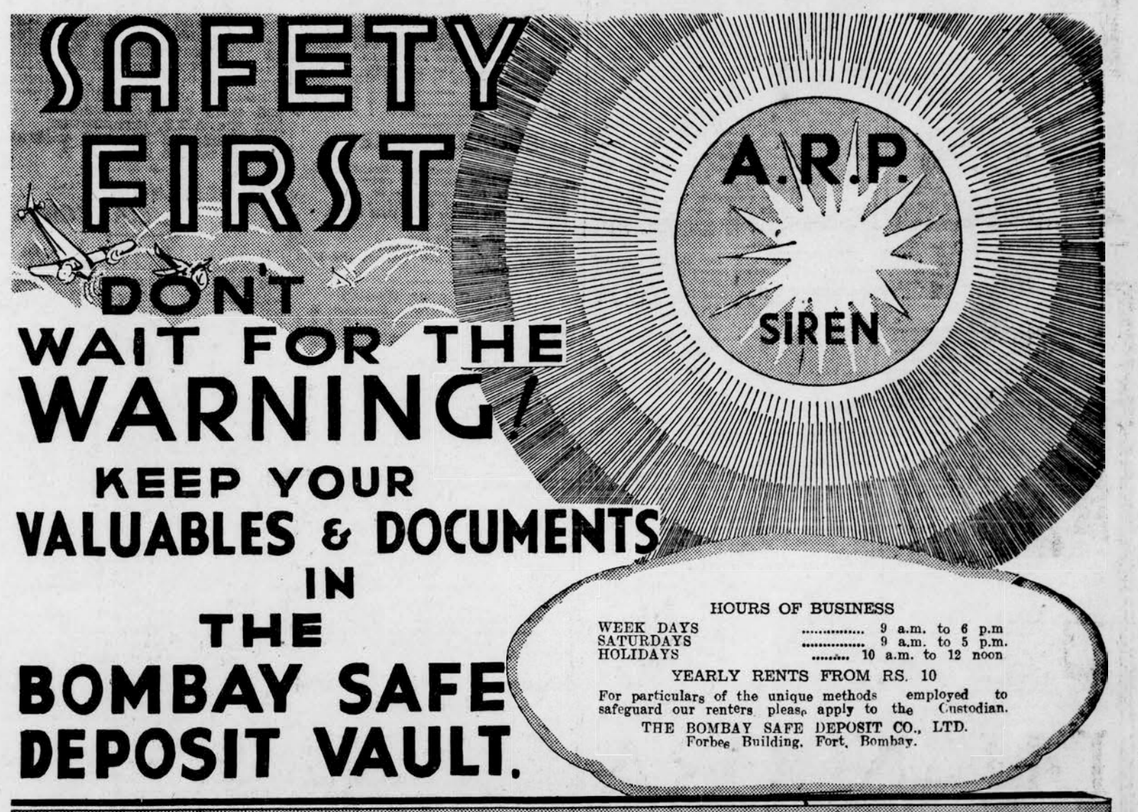
You sense it in the delectable bouquet.

If you want the finest in Scotch, "BLACK & WHITE" is respectfully yours

"BLACK & WHITE"
The Scotch with Character

243

Agents:—HERBERTSONS LTD., Bombay, Calcutta and Karachi.


SAFETY
FIRST
DON'T
WAIT FOR THE
WARNING!
A.R.P.
SIREN
KEEP YOUR
VALUABLES & DOCUMENTS
IN
THE
BOMBAY SAFE
DEPOSIT VAULT.
HOURS OF BUSINESS
WEEK DAYS ..... 9 a.m. to 6 p.m
SATURDAYS ..... 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
HOLIDAYS ..... 10 a.m. to 12 noon
YEARLY RENTS FROM RS. 10
For particulars of the unique methods employed to safeguard our renters please apply to the Custodian.
THE BOMBAY SAFE DEPOSIT CO., LTD.
Forbes Building, Fort, Bombay.
AGENTS:— FORBES FORBES CAMPBELL & Co. LTD.
TELE: 26081 (FOUR LINES) HOME STREET FORT, BOMBAY.

BOMBAY & SUBURBS

LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS To-day

Hindu: Paush Sud 9, 1998
Muslim: Zilhaj 8, 1360
Parsi: Tir 24, 1311

SHRI MAHAVIRA JAINA VIDYALAYA: Silver Jubilee of Shri Mahavira Jaina Vidyalaya will be celebrated from the 27th to 30th instant under the presidentship of Sir Manilal B. Nanavati.

ELOCUTION COMPETITION: Elocution and Extempore Competition in Gujarati and English will be held to-day (Saturday) in the Silver Jubilee Pandal, Gowalia Tank Maidan at 7 p.m. (S.T.).

ZOROASTRIAN WELFARE ASSOCIATION: Mr. Soli S. Pavri, will give a lecture on "Parsis and Education" to-day (Saturday) at 6-30 p.m. at Sir Ratan Tata Welfare Centre, Cowasji Jehangir Colony, Tardeo.

KATHA UPANISHAD: Swami Sambuddhananda, President of Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Dadar, will deliver a public lecture on 'Upanishad' to-day (Saturday) at 6-30 p.m. at the Ashram premises at 64, Portuguese Church Street, Dadar, B. B. and C. I. Railway.

VILLAGE INDUSTRIES EMPORIUM: 'In confirmity with the objective of the All-India Village Industries Association, the Village Industries Emporium, Matunga, has continued the 'original sales prices' of the Village Industries articles, including hand-pounded rice, till the fresh stocks are purchased next year."

WOMEN'S PLACE: That "The Ideal Place for Woman is Home" will be the subject of a public debate in the Youth Lodge, Blavatsky Lodge, to-day (Saturday) at 6-15 p.m. Miss Freny Rustomji will preside. Mr. Adam Adil will propose and Miss V. B. Sashital will oppose.

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

CAPITOL—"Road to Zanzibar". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"Sun Valley Serenade". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
METRO—"Life Begins for Andy Hardy". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"The Reluctant Dragoon". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"Aloma of the South Seas" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Sajjan". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1 p.m.
PATHE—"Nai Roshni". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 12-30 p.m.
ROXY—"Jhoola". Daily at 3, 6-30 and 9-45 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 12 noon.
WEST END—"Sangam". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1 p.m.
MINERVA—"Sikandar." Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-15 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Khazanchi". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Gharki Laj". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Dhandora". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Sant Sakhu". Daily at 4, 7 and 9-45 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m.
KOHINOOR—"Payachi Dasi". Daily at 4-30, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1-30 p.m.
MAJESTIC—"Swami". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1 p.m.
NOVELTY—"Tulsi". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1 p.m.
PALACE—"That Night in Rio". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
CHITRA—"Shadi". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m. Matinee to-day and to-morrow at 1 p.m.
EDWARD—"Down Argentine Way". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.

A Lady Lawyer

Says Thus About "GHARKI-LAJ"

"GHARKI LAJ" portrays conflicting human emotions of love, revenge and sacrifice & reveals that even a heap of evil may hide a grain of goodness which makes it possible even for the prodigal to return home and the villain to redeem himself ere he is completely lost. The picture depicts a modern Indian home resplendent with time-honoured ancient virtues of a typical Indian wife and daughter and a rare attachment between in-Laws! The home still remains the Chief School & the GRANDEST INSTITUTION of human virtues.

"Gharki Laj" is Commendable to Every Young Man & Woman on the Thresh-hold of Life".

—Mrs. VIOLET ALVA, M.A., LL. B.

'Gharki-Laj'

Directed by: V. M. VYAS
Story by: DAVE

11 Eleventh WEEK of Popularity 11

A 'Sunrise'-Picture ANAND-Release

IMPERIAL

Daily: 4, 7, 10 p.m.
Daily Matinees at 1-30 p.m. till Wednesday.

HOW CAN I MARRY HIM?

He Acts Fool and Seems Wise....

He Performs Comedy and Stages a Tragedy

You will roar with laughter when you learn the secret how this unwilling lady consents to marry the same crazy youth.

3RD THRILLING WEEK

RANJIT'S GREAT COMEDY

DHANDORA

CAST:
CHARLIE, DIXIT
SHAMIM, HUSN BANU

Directed by CHARLIE

OPERA HOUSE

Daily at 4, 7 & 10 p.m. Mat. Sat., Sun. & Mon. at 1 p.m.

MAHARASHTRA NATYA SAMMELAN

Three Day Programme From Sunday

This year's session of the Maharashtra Natya Sammelan comes off when preparations for a special centenary of the Marathi stage are going on at Sangli. Mr. P. K. Atre has been elected President and Mr. Variak, Chairman of the Reception Committee.

The session begins at Wilson High School Compound to-morrow (Sunday) at 9 a.m. From 9 to 12, speeches of the Chairman and President will be over. At 3-30 will be staged at Framji Cowasji Hall, "Udti Pankhare", a play by Mr. B. V. Varerkar.

On Monday and Tuesday between 3 and 7-30 will be held the open session of the Conference. The same will be continued if necessary on Wednesday morning. On Wednesday afternoon will be staged 'Gharkool' at Framji Hall. This play is written by Mr. Anant Kanekar.

Besides these, two major items, there is a variety entertainment programme consisting of staging of certain dramatic pieces etc. by amateurs and veteran professionals.

FLAG SALUTATION AT CONGRESS HOUSE

Under the auspices of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee, the monthly flag salutation ceremony will be held to-morrow (Sunday) at 8 a.m. (S.T.) at the Congress House, when Shri Jinabhai P. Joshi, M.L.A., will unfurl the national flag.

Volunteers of the Bombay Seva Dal are requested to be present at the Congress House to-morrow (Sunday) at 7 a.m. (S.T.), in Seva Dal Uniform to attend the monthly flag salutation and receive instructions from the G.O.C regarding ward organisation.

SPINNING DEMONSTRATION AT KAMGAR MAIDAN: The next weekly mass spinning demonstration will be held to-morrow (Sunday) at 5 p.m. (S.T.) at the Kamgar Maidan, Gokhale Society Road, Parel. Those Satyagrahis and other spinners who can conveniently attend this demonstration are requested to attend this function with their Charkha and slivers.

'A' WARD CONGRESS COMMITTEE: The monthly flag salutation ceremony of the 'A' Ward (Fort) District Congress Committee will be held to-morrow (Sunday) at 8 a.m. (S.T.) at Dwarkadas Lane, Bazargate Street, Fort.

BOMBAY NATIONAL GUARDS: The Jt. Hon. Secretary writes:—All members and the recruits are required to be present in full uniform to-morrow (Sunday) at 7 a.m. at the Congress House to attend the flag salutation. The Managing Committee meeting will be held after this function.

'F' WARD CONGRESS: Under the auspices of the 'F' Ward D. C. C., the monthly flag salutation ceremony will be held at N. Gardens, Matunga, on the 28th instant at 8 a.m. (S.T.). Sjt. Jhinabhai P. Joshi, M.L.A., will unfurl the flag.

An urgent meeting of the Council of Management of the 'F' Ward Congress Committee will be held to-morrow (Sunday) at 9-30 a.m. (S.T.) at Room No. 6, Vahidina Mansion, Parel, Pibawdi Corner, Bombay 12.

"THAT NIGHT IN RIO" AT PALACE: "That Night in Rio", drew packed houses to Palace last week and the management has, therefore, decided to extend its run for another week.

'DOWN ARGENTINE WAY' AT EDWARD: "Down Argentine Way", starring Don Ameche, Betty Grable and the screen's new singing Brazilian sensation, Carmen Miranda, is shown at Edward this week.

LINGAYATS' MEETING: A public meeting of the Lingayats of Bombay will be held at Dharavi in open maidan behind the Labour Welfare Centre to-day (Saturday) at 6-30 p.m., when His Holiness Shree Kumar Swamiji of Navkalyan Math, Dharwar, Mr. Kopal and Mr. N. R. Bamangaonkar, the editor of 'Uday', Amraoti, and others will address the meeting on "Veershaivism and untouchability."

A.R.P. COMMITTEE, MATUNGA: Under the auspices of the A.R.P. Committee, Matunga, Bombay 19, the Ambulance Study Centre of the St. John Ambulance Association will give the third lecture on "First-Aid to the Injured", to-day (Saturday) in the lecture hall of the Ramnarain Ruia College at 9 p.m. (S.T.). The lectures will be continued on every Wednesday and Saturday at the same place and at the same time, till the course is completed.

CHANDA RAMJI GIRLS' SCHOOL: The annual sports and prize distribution was held on Tuesday last, in the presence of a distinguished gathering under the presidentship of Seth Dwarkadas Tribhovandas. A very interesting variety programme was given by the students, which was much appreciated. The president in his speech, laid stress on the need of physical education and expressed great satisfaction at the high standard of discipline. A handsome donation was given by the president.

GOLD & SILVER EMPLOYEES' UNION, BOMBAY: A general body meeting of the Gold and Silver Employees' Union, Bombay, will be held in the office of the Union at Kandewadi, Ganpati Bhuvan, to-day (Saturday) at 6-30 p.m. Mr. Wadekar will preside and Messrs. V. G. Nimbkar, G. N. Musadkar, Dhuma Shetty and Raghunath Rao Pandit will speak.

The Secretary, Strike Committee of the Bombay Gold and Silver Employees' Union, writes:—

The strike of the goldsmiths of Marwadi Bazaar continues for seventh day. An effort of settlement was made by an informal meeting but the merchants are still adamant over the main demands. The Union proposal is to maintain a uniform standard of wages for same work done and the increase to be calculated on the maximum (at present) rates in the Bazaar. The Union also demands a written agrement between the Union and the merchants' representatives. The merchants have declined to concede any increment at all.

All-India Vanjari Conference

The second annual session of the All-India Vanjari Conference will be held at Gadikhana, Shukrawar Peth, Poona City to-day (Saturday) and to-morrow (Sunday). Mr. Narayanrao A. Kayande, Bar-at-Law will preside over the Conference and Mr. Savlaram Shahaji Sheike is Chairman of the Reception Committee. Mr. S. K. Patil, M.L.A., will open the Conference.

H. P. T. College Gathering

(From A Correspondent)

NASIK, December 23

The fifteenth annual social gathering of the H. P. T. College, Nasik, was celebrated on Monday last, Mr. S. A. Brelvi, was the chief guest of the day.

After distributing about 75 prizes to the winners of the various events in sports he delivered his speech. He laid great stress upon two points. One was his advice to students to follow the life and ideals of the late Mr. G. K. Gokhale and the other was with regard to a better understanding between Hindus and Muslims for the solution of the communal problem in India.

Matunga Village Industries Emporium

The Organiser of the Village Industries Emporium, Matunga, writes:—

Sri. J. C. Kumarappa, Organiser and Secretary of the A.I.V.I.A., in company with Sri. Bhoorji Vallabhdas paid an informal visit to the Village Industries Emporium on the 22nd evening in furtherance of the meeting of the Village Industries Workers held on the 17th instant in Bombay.

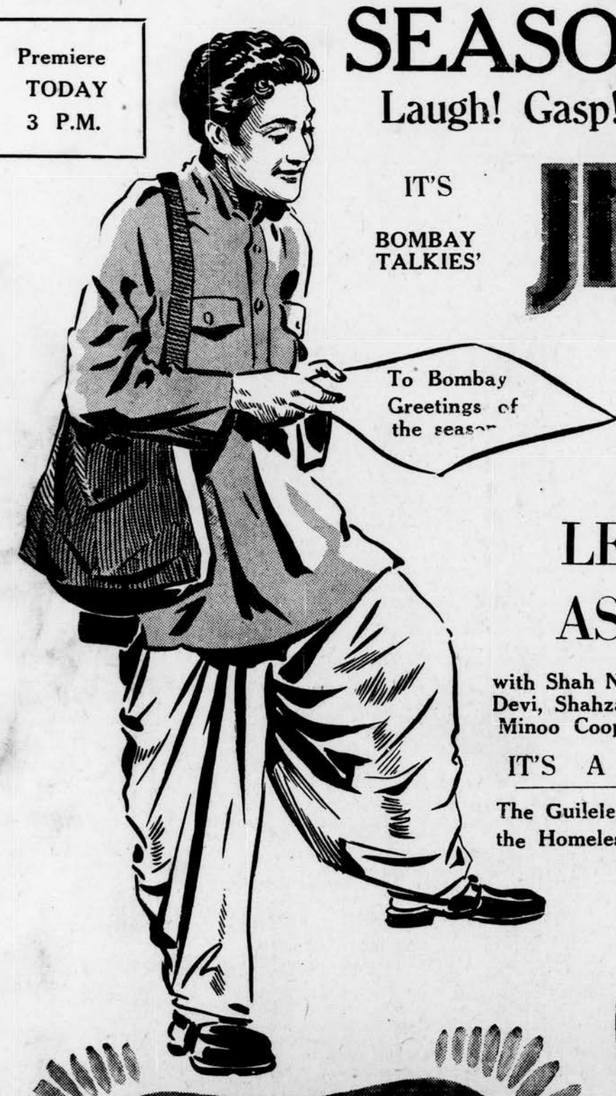
Ex-Minister of Madras Sri. S. Ramanathan, Sri. Narayanamurti and Sri. K. A. Venkataramayya, Secretaries of Tamilnad and Masulipattam and Karnatak A.I.S.A. branches respectively were kind enough to pay courtesy visits and extend their patronage to the Village Industries Emporium, in company with Sri. Purshotam Kanji, Secretary of the A.I.S.A., Bombay.

Sri. K. A. Parameswaram while welcoming them, availed of their presence to discuss with them many points on the lines of constructive work particularly the village industries activities.

THE SHOW OF THE SEASON STARTS!

Laugh! Gasp! Whistle Those Tunes!!

Premiere TODAY 3 P.M.



IT'S BOMBAY TALKIES' JHOOLA

Produced by S. MUKERJI, *maker of "Bandhan" and "Naya Sansar".*

STARRING *YOUR OWN* FAVOURITES

LEELA CHITNIS, ASHOK KUMAR

with Shah Nawaz, V. H. Desai, Mumtaz Ali, Karuna Devi, Shahzadi, Rajkumari Shukla, Master Laxman, Minoo Cooper.

IT'S A HUG-OF-WAR!

The Guileless girl and the Homeless Hero—

From 3 P.M. TODAY

(Advance Booking is Recommended)

Daily at 3, 6-30, 9-45 p.m.
Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, 12 noon

ROXY

Distribution Rights in Bombay Presidency, C. P. and C. I., with ROYAL FILM CIRCUIT, Bombay 4.

JAWAHAR'S ADVICE TO STUDENTS

Plea For Unity In General National Approach

PATNA, Dec. 26.

"I wish well to students, for after all the burden of the future rest with them. For them to-morrow is more important than to-day. If they wish to make to-morrow theirs, they will have to develop the methods of work and qualities which will bring them this heritage or others will pass them by while they argue and dispute and take the leadership to-morrow", says Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru in a message to the seventh session of the All-India Students' Conference, which is being held here on December 27 and 28, under the Presidentship of Mr. Yusuf Meherally.

In the course of the message Pt. Jawaharlal refers to the split in the students' organisation and says: "For students it is obvious that the common bonds that should link them and the general national approach that should bring them together are such that there can be hardly two opinions in regard to them. On it there could easily be unity and effective work, giving freedom for individual expression of opinion on other matters.

Referring to the two students' organisations now in existence Pt. Nehru says: "It seems to me their first job to put an end to this unseemly state of affairs. Possibly they may find it difficult to-day under the existing conditions, possibly also it is better for the student world to learn through its own experience. Till they have so learnt, I am afraid they cannot expect much sympathy or help from outsiders, who otherwise wish them well and would gladly co-operate with them."—A. P.

ON THE AIR

SATURDAY, DEC. 27

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

4-30 p.m. For Indian Troops in the Far East. 5 Farhat. Jahan Bibbo. 5-20 Ashiq Husain. 5-30 Afzal Husain. 5-45 Master Madan. 6-15 Sidheshwari Bai. 6-30 Raftar-e-Zamana: Weekly review of current events in Hindustani. 6-45 For Villagers only. 7-45 It has happened or Clarionet. 7-50 Ashiq Husain: Recitation. 7-55 Bhajan Lal. 8 Film hits. 8-15 For the Universities: Talk. 8-30 Gayak. 8-50 Master Madan. 9-30 B B C news relay. 9-45 Afzal Husain. 9-55 Listening Post. 10 Kabutari: Play in Hindustani.

Bombay I & II Programmes

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

8 to 8-5 a.m. As in Delhi 2. 8-5 News in Hindustani. 8-15 News in English. 8-25 to 8-50 As in Delhi 2. 8-50 News in Marathi. 9 News in Gujarati. 9-10 Calling All Women: Talk in English. 9-20 to 9-50 As in Delhi 2. 9-50 A R P Talk. 12 noon to 12-57 p.m. As in Delhi 2. 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 to 1-30 As in Delhi 2. 1-30 News in English. 1-35 to 2 As in Delhi 2.

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)
51.48 metres (4,880 kc/s)

From 7-30 Bombay 2 will operate on 89.15 metres (3,365 kc/s)

5 p.m. Tomorrow. 5-5 Vasant Rao Rajopadhye. 5-30 Instrumental music. 5-40 News in Marathi. 5-45 News in Gujarat. 5-50 Bhajan. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Vasant Rao Rajopadhye. 6-20 Local news and announcements in English. 6-25 Local news and announcements in Hindustani. 6-30 Children's Half Hour in Hindustani. 7 Analysis of German Propaganda. 7-15 Raftar-i-Zamana relayed from Delhi. 7-30 Commercial news. 7-45 Indian music. 8 News in Marathi. 8-15 News in Gujarati. 8-30 Listeners' letters. 8-45 University Talk. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-15 News commentary in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C news relay. 9-45 War commentary. 9-55 Listening Post. 10 to 10-45 As in Delhi 2.

LALIT MEHTA AND CHIMANKANT GANDHI

THESE NAMES MAY BE NEW—

BUT NATIONAL'S DELIGHTFUL COMEDY

NAI-ROSHNI

IS NOT NEW TO YOU!

THEY ARE THE DIRECTORS OF THIS POPULAR FILM

6th SMASH WEEK AT PATHE

Starring:
SARDAR AKHTAR
HARISH
HUSN BANU
AMAR
SUNALINI DEVI
KANNAIYALAL
BHUDO
SANKATHA

Produced by: MEHBOOB

DAILY:
3-30, 6-30, 10 P.M.
12-30 MATINEE
SUN., MON., TUES.

Telephone No. 22037 Telegrams: "CHRONICLE"
Post Box 322 Registered No. B. 1066

The Bombay Chronicle

LIBERALS IN CONFERENCE

The principal speeches at Liberals' conferences are usually a mild criticism of Government, severe criticism of other parties and severest of the Congress. These traits are more or less discernible in the speeches of the President and the Reception Committee Chairman of the Liberal Federation at Madras. But Government's present policy is so obnoxious that it has stirred these leaders more than it usually does. Referring for instance, to the refusal of the British Premier to extend the Atlantic Charter even at this time of the gravest world crisis and the refusal to fix a date for India's attainment of Dominion Status, Sir P. Sivaswami Aiyer, Chairman of the Reception Committee, says that such blunders "betray a deplorable lack of statesmanship, and have contributed to deepen the suspicion of the people in the sincerity of British promises qualified by conditions which cannot possibly be fulfilled in any near future." He states further: "The present deadlock cannot be considered to be merely the result of a domestic problem arising from the failure of the two major communities to come together. It is far more largely due to the issue between Britain and ourselves in regard to the unwillingness of the former to transfer real power to the people of India, as amply evidenced by the scheme for the expansion of the Executive Council in the Government of India." After exposing various sins of omission and commission on the part of Government and condemning in particular the arrest of a number of Hindu Mahasabha leaders as "an amazing act of folly in keeping with the attitude of Mr. Winston Churchill and other diehard Tories who control the Cabinet", Sir P. Sivaswamy says that "the least that they can do at the present moment to convince the people of the sincerity of their promises is to accept and carry out the recommendations of the non-party leaders' conference." It is seldom that a leader like Sir P. Sivaswamy uses strong words against Government. But Mr. Amery's cussedness will try the patience of even a saint.

No Vague Promises

The Presidential address of Sir Bijoy Prasad Singh Roy is on similar lines so far as the constitutional problem is concerned—we shall pass over those portions of it wherein he betrays a lamentable lack of appreciation of the Congress policy. Confining ourselves to what he calls "constructive nationalism", we welcome his demand that "there must be an unequivocal declaration by the British Government that after the War India shall no longer be treated as a dependency and that our constitution shall give us the same status and powers as that of any other unit of the British Commonwealth." He even goes so far as to say that if the Dominion Status "is hedged round with restrictions and safeguards interfering with the full play of the functions of responsible Government, the Federation must stand up to resist them." It is not often that Liberals talk of resistance to Government. The fact is that the President, like most others, is profoundly suspicious of vague promises hedged round by frivolous restrictions. "The history of British rule in India", he says, "is strewn with many a broken pledge, and they have honoured such pledges only when the Indian national demand proved inexorable. It is a sad comment on British statesmanship."

Agitate

A notable constructive suggestion of the President is "a united front" "on democratic lines for the pursuit of our political struggle." The country would welcome any struggle worth the name by the Liberals, particularly one on democratic lines, accepting the verdict of the Demos about political ends and methods. But, unfortunately, though their immediate demands are not radically different from those of the Congress, they do not seem prepared to make common cause with it to any extent. In these circumstances it will be something if the Liberals, instead of being content, as usual, with issuing paper resolutions, carry on vigorous, persistent agitation among the people for their own demands to the extent these coincide with the demands of the people. The Liberal Federation has already adopted a resolution demanding an immediate declaration that "India will be accorded the status of a Dominion within the meaning of the Statute of Westminster within a period not exceeding two years after the conclusion of the war" and an immediate reconstruction of the Viceroy's Council giving it "by convention a fully national character", with the Viceroy as its "constitutional head." The Federation has specifically demanded that "the portfolios of Defence and Finance should be entrusted to non-official Indians enjoying the confidence of the country." Though these demands are not radical, they are not negligible either. Let the Liberals ceaselessly agitate for them all the year round throughout the country till they are fully conceded. That will be no small achievement. That will also keep the Liberal Party alive and kicking.

Hong Kong Falls

Regrettable as it is, the fall of Hong Kong will not cause any surprise. The wonder, indeed, is that the garrison was able to continue resistance for seven days after the enemy had landed forces on the island. A congested city, swarming with people, exposed to attack from all sides, Hong Kong's position was vulnerable in the extreme especially after the evacuation of Kowloon on the mainland opposite which provided the Japanese with an excellent site for their artillery batteries. The weakness of the British navy in these waters left the island to its own resources. And yet the defenders of Hong Kong fought back with exemplary, almost legendary, heroism. In spite of gruelling artillery fire and severe bombings, thrice they refused demands to surrender. Indeed, the final decision to cease resistance was not due to a military victory of the Japanese but to the desperate condition of the civilians caused by the complete stoppage of water supply. The official communique describes the critical situation: "Important reservoirs fell into Japanese hands and water mains were destroyed by bombardment. The Public Work Department struggled bravely to effect a remedy, but the enemy destroyed the pipes again. Two days ago there remained but one day's supply".

And thus ended a great fight against overwhelming odds. A well-merited tribute has been paid by the Colonial Office to "the courage and determination of the Royal Navy and troops from Britain, Canada and India as well as local volunteers, including Chinese" Equally warm is the tribute being paid by Chungking Government circles to "the gallant struggle put up against great odds by the British and Canadian defenders of Hong Kong." According to an official spokesman, "it has afforded considerable inspiration not only to the rank and file of the Chinese troops but also to all Allied forces", and he goes on to compare it to the determined Chinese defence of Shanghai in 1937. One may regret the state of unpreparedness of the British navy in the Chinese waters which gave the unscrupulous Japanese the opportunity to launch the treacherous attack culminating in this tragic surrender. But no one will hesitate to express unstinted admiration for the gallant defenders of Hong Kong.

Unconvincing

In a lengthy statement explaining why he took over the administration of the province under Section 93 of the Constitution, the Governor of Assam States that he had "explored all alternative possibilities" of forming a new Ministry after the resignation of the former one. But he admits that Mr. Rohini Kumar Chaudhuri had a following of 26 members and who had been promised support by the Congress Party except that its "support so far as the war was concerned would be severely limited". However limited, the promised support of the Congress Party to war effort might well have been given a trial. But it appears the Governor preferred being a virtual Dictator under Section 93 of the Constitution, thereby flouting the Legislature. That, however, is not the best way to get real co-operation from the people.

The position was apparently different in Orissa where the Governor took some pains in forming a ministry with the help of a few deserters from the Congress, believing, of course, that the ministry was stable. But it is curious that he has not yet convened the Assembly though weeks have passed since then. Does he want to be a Dictator with the help of docile ministers but without the control of the Assembly? In any case the Congress Working Committee is right in its view that "the Governor's failure to convene the Assembly deprives its members of their right to pronounce their verdict on the conduct of the new Ministry and is deserving of condemnation." Equally objectionable is the failure of the Governor to hold a by-election to fill a vacancy caused in the Assembly by the death of one of its members, thus depriving the electorate of its right to elect a representative. Such petty trifling with constitutional procedure ill becomes any Government who care for their reputation.

Frankly Speaking

Chungking Reshuffle

Several important changes in the personnel of the Chinese Government have been announced, following the ninth plenary session of the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang which concluded recently in Chungking. Mr. Soong who is now in Washington has been appointed Foreign Minister, perhaps to invest him with greater powers to take a more active part in the Allies consultations now being held. Several other changes have also been made, according to a Government spokesman, "to strengthen the Government with men of the best ability." A small war time Political Council has been created "comprising Government leaders and representatives of all political groups." This is a happy decision in view of the mobilisation of the country's man power resources in total war effort. It is not yet known, however, whether Marshal Chiang-Kai-Shek has secured the co-operation of the Chinese Communists also in this reorganization. Though they have been actively assisting the Government since the beginning of the Japanese aggression and proving the best of guerilla fighters, the prejudice against them has yet persisted in the minds of Chiang and his immediate advisers. It is imperative, however, that in this grave hour, such prejudice should be rooted out and the "Reds" offered a hand in the Government of the country they have been so gallantly defending.

Free French Spring Surprise!

General De Gaulle has certainly sprung a surprise—even on his Allies, the British and the Americans—by the action of his forces in the West Indies. The sensational news that Free French forces have occupied the French islands of St. Pierre and Miquelon and Martinique situated close to Newfoundland, is disclosed in telegrams received from Washington and London. The action was taken apparently without the knowledge of America or England and obviously to prevent the Germans getting hold of them for use as submarine bases. The operations were carried out without any incident or opposition and with the full co-operation of the population. The full implications will be clear when fuller details are available but one can imagine the violent fury of Hitler and the impotent rage of Petain on receiving this news. As in Iran, the Fuehrer has been outwitted and, this time, by a comparatively insignificant little Free French force!

Indians In Malaya

There is a large population of Indians in Malaya, a considerable part of which is now the scene of military operations and the whole of which is subject to air raids. It is natural, therefore, that they are deeply concerned about the safety of their women and children. We understand that they have sent telegraphic representation to the Government of India requesting that arrangements may be made for bringing women and children to India. We trust the Government will give prompt attention to this representation and immediately make available a special steamer to bring to India Indian women and children evacuees from Malaya.

Uday Shankar Centre

Well organised dance-schools are essential to the perpetuation of the art of Indian dance in the modern age. The Uday Shankar India Culture Centre, therefore, deserves special attention of those who are interested in the future and progress of the art. It has a broad and progressive outlook and it imparts training in dance on systematic lines since it is founded by an able and accomplished artiste like Uday Shankar. The course of studies extends over five years and embraces, within its scope, the various styles of the classical dance, folk-dances, music, painting and stage-craft. It, thus, imparts to the institution the character of a centre of culture as it is popularly known to-day Besides Uday Shankar himself the teaching staff includes some well-known masters of music, dance and other arts. The Centre is in need of funds for its permanent home which is indispensable to the expansion of its activities and the achievement of its aims and objects. The Government of the United Provinces have appreciated its utility by making to it a gift of 94 acres of land known as Simtola Forest and the Governor of that province has been evincing keen interest in Uday Shankar's enterprise which deserves public support.

As I See It —

(BY D. F. KARAKA.)

And so the year has drawn gradually to a close. But the fate of the world remains as uncertain as ever. Democracy everywhere is still on the defensive and with more than two years of war, it is still unable to strike a decisive blow. Now is the time when the lesson of unpreparedness is being driven home to all those in this world who were too confident and who were unwilling to budge from the complacency in which they had remained comfortably stagnant for so long Now is the time when the might of Empires is being questioned and when nothing, however great, is immuned from fall Tradition, class, heritage are becoming day by day vulnerable to attack and a new conception of life springs to earth—a conception which conflicts with the old theories of living. Equality of opportunity without prejudice seems to be the new theory of the world—an equality of opportunity which tries to give every man his chance for a decent break in this world. Other ideas too, have sprung up and are gradually taking root. The idea of co-operative living where the individuals are too weak to exist by themselves; the idea of helping the weaker man; the idea of a right to work and a right to a share in the governance of the world. These are some of the ideas that will be even more defined in the new world order which is to come.

★

As the year draws to an end, it is customary to take stock and to review the situation as it faces the world. The one outstanding achievement of 1941 is the fight-back of the Russians and that supreme effort of the proletariat to stick to the principles on which their communism was founded. The "scorched earth", the repeated counter-attacks, the general demeanour of the Russians, their courage, their determination has been in sharp contrast to the demeanour of other countries, where a petit bourgeoisie reigned and where the word "communism" stank like an obnoxious odour. It is a slap in the face to many to see the incredible happen and to have to learn the lesson that a planned life and a planned economy are more powerful assets in the modern world than a heap of emotionless concrete in the shape of a Maginot Line. It brings home to us that there has always got to be something decent and honest below the surface whereon a great nation may sustain itself. Today in England and America too, they are realising this. The only danger is that they may realise it too late. But the fact remains that it is the people of these democracies that are now fighting the battles into which their Governments as distinct from their peoples have landed them. To have risen in the hour of danger is, perhaps, greater than not to rise at all and the moral brought home to us is that it is the inherent traits of a people that outlive and outweigh the outworn shiboleths of caste dogma and tradition This something in the people is the instinct of self-preservation comes as naturally to the common man all over the world even as the homing instinct does to a carrier pigeon. In fact the instinct is the essence of it—the "sine qua non"

★

Whatever mistakes have been made in the past, there is now a desire to see they are not repeated. The constant change of personnel for high offices of state in Britain is a healthy sign. No individual nor a single class is allowed the monopoly of passing judgment on and of controlling the affairs of a whole people. It is only the best-fitted at the moment that stays and only so long as he is best suited. The recent steps taken by the U. S. to replace the Admirals in the Far East and the discipline which it intends to enforce is proof that the democracies are at last realising that it cannot cling any longer to the old way of muddling through. If Herr Hitler has done one thing for us, it is that he has taught us the art of thoroughness of preparation, thoroughness of research, thoroughness even of destruction. In his desire to take no false step, the German Fuhrer did not discount the working of fate and through his agents, his hand-lines came to India to be read by the most shrewd palmists of the land. Perhaps we may dismiss it as the weakness of superstition Perhaps we may learn to realise that no precaution nor preparation is too much in this world.

★

Even with this before us, we are shockingly blind to the dangers that face us By "WE" I mean both the Government and the people Whereas in England and America (and more in America) they learn from each lesson, here in India the Government spends most of its time defending the mistakes it has made Removal of persons from high office when unfit seems unknown to the Government of India We are paying too much attention to the feelings of individuals and too little to the welfare of the State. There is too much pride in politics to budge an inch from any standpoint we may have taken. There is too much stress laid on differences instead of making an attempt to minimise them We are like a handful of thin sticks that refuse to be bound together and will be snapped and crippled and broken by any one in whose hands we may go.

Let us realise some of our weaknesses when we are faced—as we are now—with a powerful enemy at our doors. Let us think a little of the opportunities we have missed and the opportunities that are still at hand. Let us think in terms of the great nation free and independent and self-reliant as we want to be Let us, above all, learn the lesson that has been brought home to others far too late and at too great a sacrifice viz., the lesson of unpreparedness. No one will take the blame when time has gone.

SITTING ON THE SAFETY VALVE

Under the above caption the "Star of India", the Calcutta organ of the Muslim League, writes:—

We see neither prudence nor justice in the arrest and detention of Mr. Savarkar by the Bihar Government. The Mahasabhaites were entitled to hold their conference, but the Government, having gratuitously got the jitters, stood their ground more for prestige than for the smooth passing of affairs. The right of association, free speech and lawful demonstration cannot be easily sacrificed for the advantage of a hide-bound officialdom, and every citizen will resent the conduct of the Government in trenching upon this constitutional right. While a common right is cherished by all the people of India, we see some Hindus cloaked in the senatorial toga of Liberalism introducing a new twist in the situation. They insinuate that the Muslims had yearned to see the Bihar Government upset the plans and that it is to oblige them that all this meddling and muddling has been done. The "Liberal" leaders speak of official "partiality" and ask the Government not to place "the clear right of one community at the mercy of another." It is an impudent foisting of blame where it does not belong.

AT ONE

All the constituent nationalities comprising India, Caste-Hindus, Muslims, Sikhs, 'Panchamas', etc., value the righ of opinion and organization equally. Just as Muslims could resent a ban on the lawful functioning of their organization through the preposterous bungling of the authorities, they would sympathize with the plight of any other community thwarted of its elementary rights.

RIP VAN WINKLES.

Still, the Hindu Liberals who wear the tattered cloak of "nationalism" suggest that the Muslims are vastly gratified and placated when they see a trespass upon the rights of the Hindus whether they assemble under a Congress pandal or a Mahasabha pavilion or in some small pleader's office where the elders (known as Liberals) find sufficient accommodation to meet and pass puerile resolutions. What is imputed to Muslims within their plea for impartiality is an insult to Muslims, since it is never the principle of the Muslim League to see official leverage for directing repression against other classes of people in India The Muslims are not on the apron-strings of the bureaucracy or the Congress or any other outside organization. They have organized themselves as an independent entity that must develop by the cultivation of its own inherent strength. The days of Bampflyde Fuller's theory (the "favourite wife") are long past and the Hindus must realise that the Muslim is to-day too conscious of his status and the spirit of clean independence that he cannot be accused of gloating over injustice by the Government to any party or organization, however hostile to himself

MISTAKEN DOYENS

Yet we see doyens of politics like the Rt. Hon. Srinivasa Sastri and Sir P. S. Sivaswami Iyer spoiling their well-earned rest by a manifesto that ascribes to the Government a policy of humouring the Muslims by interfering with the meeting of the Hindus at Bhagalpur. It is not a matter of pride to any Indian that so many arrests have been made in Bhagalpur in the name of peace and that the Military is in charge for public safety Still the infamous suggestion is made by veteran Hindu politicians that Muslims might be gloating over the distress of Hindus. It is a shame to all.

NIZAM'S X'MAS GREETINGS

HYDERABAD (Dn), Dec. 25.

His Exalted Highness the Nizam of Hyderabad and Berar has composed a Christmas poem in Persian, the English translation of which by Sir Nizamat Jung, former member of the Council, is given herewith:—

Oh' the garden, behold!
Will the nightingale mourn
When the song of love's marvels
From each blossom's up-borne?

There's a home for the stricken,
Love's sorrows to cure,
There is solace for hearts
Which their sufferings endure.

There's an Image of Glory
Men shall hail with delight,
And the hour is high
When it beams on their sight!

And the votaries of Jesus,
A faith-guided race,
Hail the Book and the Cross
As his symbols of grace!

In the Sacred Temple
Doth Mariam proclaim
"Lo! He blesseth thine altar,

And Jesus his name"!
See how Good-Will and Peace
From Life's mirror shine,
Filling hearts of men, Osman!
With Glory Divine!

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

True politeness is sometimes equivalent to a free pass.

* * * *

A well-beaten path may not lead in the right direction.

* * *

If a girl has teeth like pearls, she's never as dumb as an oyster.

* * *

Most women are born leaders—and most men are born followers thereof.

* * *

It's only the man with more money than brains who has more friends than enemies

FOLLIES OF YOUTH

"All of us, who are worth anything, spend our manhood in unlearning the follies, or expatiating the mistakes of our youth"—SHELLEY, *LETTERS.*

GROWTH OF THE R. A. F.

By AN AIR CORRESPONDENT

"Now we have an air force which is at least equal in size and numbers, not to speak of quality, to German air power"

Those words spoken by the Prime Minister on November 10 would have seemed almost impossible of fulfilment a year ago, as we emerged battered but unbowed from the Battle of Britain. They would have seemed a difficult accomplishment even at the beginning of this summer. Yet the enormous exertions of industry at home and in the U.S.A., and the magnificent fight by Russia, changed the whole position.

Equality does not mean victory, though it should mean safety from defeat. Equality means opportunity to redouble the efforts to bring success to our arms, success at the price of more toil and sacrifice than any suffered yet. Equality in the air means a chance to strike with ever-growing power at the heart of the German war effort.

Three years ago, in 1938, the R.A.F. was but a shadow of its present strength. Rearmament was but beginning. Munich gave us breathing space to stop some gaps.

Two years ago, when war had hardly begun for us, the R.A.F. was far smaller than the people of Britain realised. Modern Hurricanes, Spitfires, Wellingtons and Hampdens were only beginning to come into squadron service. In contrast, the Luftwaffe stood proud and strong, swaggering over its Polish victory, behind it years of steady preparation.

LIKE DAVID AFTER GOLIATH WAS SLAIN

One year ago the R.A.F. drew breath, like David after Goliath was slain. Still small in numbers, still unequipped with the latest machines, still awaiting the main stream of deliveries from the U.S.A., the R.A.F. had faced and beaten the roaring attack of the mighty Luftwaffe, had sent it streaming back to France, smashed and broken, or tumbling in wreckage over the hills of Kent and Sussex or into the waters of the Channel

Now, to-day, thanks to the courage of our air crews, the dogged determination of British industry, the dauntless fighting of our Russian allies, hours of toil and money freely spent by the peoples of the Empire and the United States—now the R.A.F stands "equal in side and numbers", and superior in quality, to the much-vaunted German Luftwaffe.

Equality is not enough. Equality is but the beginning. More aeroplanes and aerodromes, guns and bombs, and more men to fly are needed in greater numbers every day. Four thousand of Germany's best fighters and bombers lie twisted wrecks in Russia. We must have 4,000 more to ourselves to double the discrepancy. Ten thousand Nazi airmen are either dead or prisoners of the Russians. Ten thousand new air crews flood into the R.A.F. from the Empire training plan. The R.A.F. grows but its commitments are wide.

From Singapore in the Far East to Iceland in the Far North, in the battle-clouds of Europe, over the waters of the Mediterranean, over the deserts of North Africa, in Russia, Persia and India, the wings of the R.A.F go forward to attack.

The defence role forced on us so long is now changing to attack. By night the drone of heavy engine fills the skies over Germany; by day fighters and bombers of the R.A.F. flash over occupied France. Great Britain, a nation built upon the seas, now takes to the air to carve the way to victory. New names—Typhoons, Stirlings, Halifaxes, Manchesters—carry the battle forward; new names from the New World swell the ranks—Kittyhawks, Buffaloes, Baltimores, Vengeance. The way will still be hard and long; the battle will sway this way and that; the fortunes of war may turn and change. But now we have the foundation on which to build

TÊTE-A-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

"We give the Fuehrer the pledge that he can rely on his people at the front, at home and in the wide world. Victory will not be given up. We must earn it. We will continue the brave fight and earn God's blessing."

—Dr. Goebbels.

* * *

Addressing the Germans living abroad, Dr. Goebbels said in a broadcast: "You often live in a hostile world. It is not surprising that you are not very popular outside your country."

Now this *is* NEWS Goebbels telling the truth—as surprising and sensational as the proverbial man biting the dog!

* * *

The "Statesman" suggests a Government composed of Jinnah, Jayakar and Savarkar.

Our sedate contemporary seems to be developing a rather peculiar sense of humour!

* * *

The All-India Muslim Students' Federation, it was announced at its Nagpur Session, has removed the Bengal Chief Minister from the "life-membership" of the Federation.

What a life!

* * *

A "FABLE" OF THE TURF!

The Maharaja of Baroda's own horse, "Fable", won the Baroda Cup.

* *

It is announced in Rome that the Italian Cabinet will meet tomorrow, Mussolini presiding, to consider important questions.—Reuter.

The agenda, of course, will be as follows:—

ITEM No. 1: Il Duce will read out the instructions received from Berlin.

ITEM No. 2: All the Ministers will indicate their approval by raising their hands in fascist salute.

* * *

According to a Benares message Indian history is being re-written

According to a Bardoli message, Indian history is being made!

* * *

A Bombay Muslim Leaguer threatens that if the Government accepted the Congress demand the Muslim League would decide upon starting Satyagraha campaign throughout the country.

Picketing at the gates of freedom?

* * *

TO-DAY'S PRIZE HOWLERS

(1) Hitler kept a solemn fast on Christmas Day to expiate his sins.

(2) The Pope has after all discovered the unchristian attitude of the fascist nations and decided to deprive them of his blessings.

(3) The Assamese have achieved philosophical anarchy and liquidated the State, Government and the Ministry.

(4) The we-know-all journalists who were talking of a split in the Congress are now preparing to eat their own words.

(5) Marshal Petain has sent a cable to General De Gaulle congratulating him on the occupation of Martinique by the Free French forces.

(6) When Mr. Churchill addresses the U. S. Senate at Washington, Senator "Mr. Smith" will move a vote of thanks.

* * *

Your poor husband's still in bed, then?"

"Yes, he's really quite all right, but when the doctor came six weeks ago he said Fred mustn't get up on any account until he said he could, and we think the doctor must have gone in the Army."

Congress Cabinet Meeting To Be Filmed

BARDOLI, Dec. 26.

With a view to taking the film of the historic meeting of the Congress Working Committee and giving the public an idea of the Swaraj Ashram of Bardoli, a party from the Chicago Film Company have arrived here from Bombay on Thursday morning.—United Press.

'Independence Is Our First Concern'

Leaders Clarify Main Issue Before Country

Die, If Necessary, Keeping Congress Flag Aloft, Urges Maulana Azad

BARDOLI, Dec. 26.

"You want Swaraj for Hindustan. If you ask me where is independence, I shall say it is in faithfully implementing my constructive programme containing 13 items such as Khadi, Harijan uplift, literacy etc.", observed Mahatma Gandhi in the course of a brief speech at a mass meeting held here this afternoon.

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel presided. About 50,000 people from far and near villages of Gujarat attended the meeting.

Members of the Working Committee including Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Dr. Rajendra Prasad and Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan were present.

Maulana Azad addressing the meeting exhorted the public to keep unity and solidarity among them and implicitly follow the guidance of the Congress which had been fighting for the liberation of India.

Referring to the international situation the Congress President said: "We need not be frightened because of war danger approaching India. We must keep our head cool and die, if necessary, keeping the Congress flag aloft under all circumstances.

Concluding he said: "We are overwhelmed with your love and affection which, I see, is writ large on your face. This affection will be main strength in our onward march to goal of independence."

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru rising amidst tremendous ovation referred to the heroic struggle of China and Russia and asked the public to emulate their bold example in defending their own hearth and home.

"We are not fighting Englishmen, neither have we any hatred for them. What we want is to remove all foreign domination over us," added Pandit Nehru.

The whole world was, he said, in a state of spasmodic animation and he hoped that a new world would emerge out of the present international hostilities where there would be a lasting place for freedom for all of us.

"Our first concern is achievement of our own independence: but let us not be blind to what is happening elsewhere in the world", declared Jawaharlal Nehru addressing a mass meeting here this afternoon.

Long before the meeting commenced, the grounds were crowded. A special train from Surat was run to provide facilities to the public to attend the meeting. Mahatma Gandhi was given a great ovation as he entered the meeting.

MAHATMA ON INDEPENDENCE

After Sardar Patel had introduced the various All India leaders present, Mahatma Gandhi in the course of a brief speech emphasised the importance of spinning and removal of untouchability. He said that people could ask him. "Where is our independence?" Only after they had fully carried out their pledge to spin daily.

AZAD'S CALL FOR SOLIDARITY

Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, the Congress President, in the course of a speech appealed for solidarity and referred to difficult situation in which India was placed. On the one side they were conducting a struggle for the attainment of independence, while on the other they were faced with a world war.

It was, indeed, a very bad situation inasmuch as the war had now approached the very doors of Hindusthan.

Maulana Abul Kalam Azad earnestly appealed to the people not to get panicky but asked them to remain brave and courageous. Panic, he said was a worse danger than "actual spread of war. The Working Committee which was now in session, he said would consider this all-important question and the decision would be announced in a couple of days. He was confident that the country would stand by that decision and implement it.

LOOK FORWARD, SAYS JAWAHAR

Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru advised the audience not to look back but look forward. He said: "Great events are taking place. The world is in midst of a great war. India cannot be isolated. She is no doubt, fighting for her own independence and she will carry on the struggle till victory is achieved but then she cannot close her eyes to what is happening elsewhere in the world."

Continuing Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru said that to say that the war was being fought beyond the borders of India and as such was no concern of ours was a fatal attitude. Some people asked what would happen to India if Britain was defeated. There are others who said that India would fall victim to Japanese or German aggression.

Nehru said: "It is a foolish question. We are opposed to Britain because we are in bondage. We are equally opposed to Fascism and Nazism and we will fight them also to the last. We cannot, however, forget that the independence of our land is our first concern."

Pt. Nehru said that he visualised after this war a new world order would emerge in which all nations would be free and the flames of this war would consume slavery.

He said: "No nation in the world has achieved anything without sacrifice and India should be prepared go through the ordeal."

NO SYMPATHY FOR FASCISTS

He reiterated that he had no sympathy with Hitler and his associates. Morally they were corrupt and they wanted to dominate the whole world. But that shall not be. He wanted to combat those forces and expressed his whole hearted sympathy with those nations that had fallen a prey to Nazi and Fascist aggression. He expressed his deep sympathy with the British people who were standing against aggression, but hated those who stood for upholding imperialism and exploitation of the weaker nations.

Khan Abdul Gaffar Khan asserted that the salvation of India lay in non-violence.

Dr. Khan Saheb, ex-Premier of the N. W. F. P. stressed the need for every individual to throw in his whole weight for the achievement of Swaraj.

Pandit Govind Vallabh Pant and Mr. Bhulabhai Desai also addressed the gathering.

Animals Go A. R. P.!

AT LEAST THEY DO SO IN OUR NEXT SUNDAY ISSUE!

perhaps our photographer had got that X'mas feeling or maybe he was slightly scared

But he went to the Zoo and brought back a whole series of pictures of animals busy with A. R. P. Activities!

DON'T MISS YOUR COPY OF

The Bombay Chronicle

SUNDAY, DEC. 28

Azad Says:

Congress Committees Not Suspended

When All Members Are Out, There Is No Reason Why They Should Not Function

BARDOLI, Dec. 26

Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, the Congress President, has issued the following statement:—

"Letters have been received from some provinces asking whether in view of the fact most of the members of the Provincial and other Congress Committees are out of jail it is desirable for the Committees to function.

"It seems these Committees have not grasped the real position in this respect. The constitution was never suspended during the last fifteen months. Committees formed after the last election did not cease to function and there is no reason why their normal activities should not continue.

"The situation in the beginning of the present struggle was that the Congress asked the members of the Committees to offer Satyagraha. And when all or most members were arrested Gandhiji instructed them not to fill the vacancies thus caused and offices put in charge of organisers during the state of emergency. It did not, however, mean suspension of the committees.

"Now when all members of the Committees have come out of jails there is no reason why the Committees should not function as before."—United Press.

WISE MEN MUST NOT STAND ON DIGNITY

LONDON, Dec. 26.

"This is an important week in India", says the "Manchester Guardian" in a leading article.

"The Congress Working Committee is meeting at Bardoli and the Muslim League Executive is to meet at Nagpur. These gatherings take place when India, deeply stirred by the Japanese attack, sees massed forces of violence directly threatening her and finds herself not free and dependent on the external governing power for protection. The intervention of Japan has not changed the rights and wrongs of the political problem, but charged the issues with higher intensity. Not only is there an opportunity for a fresh attempt by all sides to unite India but there is an obligation on all to make it. Everyone must be weary of the British Government saying that nothing more can be done until the contending parties agree and the parties glowering at one another, sullenly aloof, united in nothing except grievances against the British Government.

Cannot both sides make an effort which all desire and all know to be necessary?

One hears that the Viceroy would gladly act but cannot risk rebuffs. He has made various offers and they have been rejected: so the official world fears that if this goes on, the Indian Government will lose credit with the ruled. One is told that Congressmen desire to return to active political co-operation in the Provinces but the Congress will not move unless Government fulfils certain formulas.

DON'T STAND ON DIGNITY

When Asia is on fire, should wise men stand on dignity or Indian patriots prefer formulas to the practical wisdom of uniting the country and guiding its affairs? Our Indian correspondent says, as others, that the Congress (apart from what Mr. Gandhi may do) would co-operate if Britain will make a definite, unambiguous declaration in favour of India's complete freedom.

Why should not the Viceroy—for, if there is to be peace, the Viceroy must act—see the chief Indian leaders especially Mr. Jinnah and Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru, appeal to them to set history and party cries aside and come forward as men determined to find India's road to liberty, at the same time telling them that their agreement on this road will mean that India's liberty is already fully won?

APPEAL TO CHURCHILL

"To be successful this policy must have behind it not only the Indian leaders but also Mr. Churchill. Is that too much to hope of a man who in many other things has shown the highest qualities of political insight? What ought to be decisive with both Mr. Churchill and the Indian leaders is this! Here is India whose future depends completely on our victory and to whom this country sincerely intends to give its freedom. Yet Indian leaders and parties cannot agree among themselves, nor can individual representative Indians or British and Indian Governments find a basis for agreement.

"Now the moment has arrived to make a new effort and it must not be missed."—Reuter.

AMERICAN FLEET NOW READY TO STRIKE BACK

JOINT ANGLO-U. S.-AUSTRALIAN MOVE IN PACIFIC

HEAVY JAPANESE PRESSURE ON MANILA: PHILIPPINE GOVT. LEAVES CAPITAL: AIR RAIDS ON EAST INDIES

PRESIDENT QUEZON of Philippines who has shifted the seat of Government from Manila.

MANILA, Dec. 26.

President Quezon has announced that he is leaving Manila on the advise of Gen. MacArthur and will administer the Civil Government from outside the city.

Japanese planes flew over Manila to-day without causing fire.

It is believed that all guns have been removed.

MANILA DECLARED OPEN CITY

Manila is declared an open city.

The order declaring Manila an open city states: "In order that no excuse may be given for a possible mistake the American High Commissioner, the Commonwealth Government and all combatant military installations will be withdrawn from the city's environs as rapidly as possible.

The Municipal Government will continue to function with its police powers reinforced by the constabulary and troops so that normal protection of life and property may be preserved. The citizens are requested to maintain obedience to the constituted authorities and continue normal business".

An American army spokesman stressed that the proclamation will not affect the conduct of war which "will continue as vigorously or more vigorously than at present". The spokesman said that in Manila the situation in general was better than heretofore as "our troops are becoming hardened to combat".

PROCLAIM FULL INDEPENDENCE OF INDIA

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, Dec. 26.

"If I were Secretary of State for India I would at once appoint a new Viceroy not because I have any doubts about Lord Linlithgow's conscientious efforts to reach a settlement but because it would be important to show that an entirely new approach to the problem was intended", said Mr. Vernon Bartlett, one of the most influential Independent M.P.'s and the well-known diplomatic correspondent of the "News Chronicle", in an interview to the United Press.

Mr. Bartlett is acknowledged as an authority on international affairs. He visited India in 1938.

Continuing Mr. Bartlett said: "I would admit that no great people can be kept within the British Commonwealth against the will of the majority of its politically-minded citizens; also that I see no great difference between Dominion Status and absolute independence Pandit Nehru thinks so important. The Statute of Westminster enabled the Dominions to reach their own decisions about the gravest problem the Commonwealth could have to face —neutrality or intervention in war—without interference from London.

PROCLAIM INDEPENDENCE

"I would agree that full independence should be proclaimed on a definite date. The more sweeping is the proclamation, less probable it would be that, in fact, India would swing too far away from other nations that have developed under British tradition.

"Meanwhile I would increase the size of the Viceroy's Council and give its members the same powers as the Ministers in the British Government. I would ask the great political organisations to nominate these members. If they refused the Viceroy would himself do so.

"At the same time I would use every possible method of reminding the people of India that they need Britain's help at least as much as the people of Britain need India's help.

SERIES OF BLUNDERS

"I think that Government after Government in this country has made blunders in India because they dared not face upto the fact that the more they hesitated to make concessions, greater demand for them would become. But one has only to watch, for example the way in which every intellectual, every potential, political or social leader is imprisoned or murdered in order that Poles may become literally a race of abject slaves to realise what would be the fate of India if the British Empire were defeated.

"It is, because all peoples who desire any measure of freedom must go obviously on the side of the British Commonwealth,—the Soviet Union, China, U.S.A. and all smaller countries that have already lost their liberty, that it would be sensible to hasten the grant of freedom which Indians ask".

STATES PEOPLES' CONFERENCE

Jawaharlal Presides

BARDOLI, Dec. 26.

The Standing Committee of the All-India States' Peoples' Conference met, to-day, with Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru in the chair. Dr. Pattabhi Sitharamayya also attended. The Committee discussed the general situation in the States. The Committee is likely to meet Mahatma Gandhi to-day or to-morrow.—A. P.

U. S. High Commissioner Leaves Capital

Following Gen. MacArthurs declaration of Manila an "open city" the United States High Commissioner to the Philippines, Mr. Francis Sayre, announced that he was temporarily transferring his office outside Manila.

He said: "We will fight to the last man."

Japanese Bombers Over Manila

Although officially declared an open city, Manila was under almost constant air-raid alarms throughout the morning and early afternoon on Friday with the Japanese unloading bombs in the port area. Ships in the harbour were again the objectives of the planes. Nearly a hundred bombs were dropped by several waves of planes which flew very much lower than hitherto. No bombs fell in the city.

After circling over Manila today, two waves of Japanese bombers unloaded bombs in the direction of Nichols Field and far out in Manila Bay.

Heavy Japanese Pressure

Heavy Japanese pressure on the south-east front is reported today. On the northern front the Japanese confined themselves to heavy concentrations of artillery fire. Air activity over Manila has been very brisk for the last twelve hours.

"Our Line Still Holds Out"

A United States army spokesman declared on Friday at 8.00 hours (Local Time): "Our line is still holding on both the north and south fronts, although the Japanese pressure continues."

An U. S. Army Communique says: "Action on the northern lines is confined to artillery duelling. On the south-eastern front from Atimonan to Uban enemy pressure is increasing.

A tank battle is in progress. There have been heavy casualties on both sides. Enemy air activity is very brisk. Japanese concentration of artillery is reported on the north front where action, however, is light at the present time"

U. S. NAVY READY FOR ACTION NOW

Men Eager To Get At The Enemy

PEARL HARBOUR:—The lessons of the attack on December 7 have been taken to heart. We are now well up to strength in all our units and the men want only one thing, namely, to get at the enemy", said an Admiral Commanding United States warships at a Press reception aboard a flagship.

The Admiral summed up his men's reaction as follows: "We know somebody's done us a dirty trick and we want to get back at them."

The talk was given by an Admiral in command of a combatant force of United States warships.

The Admiral added: Our one desire is to sock them for that treacherous attack. My ships are all ready to fight. The damage to cruisers was only incidental. We have already received more men from the mainland than were lost in the attack. We are better off to-day than have been for some time".

Dutch 'Drome Put Out Of Action

BATAVIA:—An N. E. I. Communique on Friday says: "During an attack by our army bombers reported on an enemy concentration of shipping near Kuching (Sarawak), a destroyer and a transport ship were sunk.

Bombing of one of our aerodromes in outer possessions by a large number of Japanese bombers caused very little damage. The aerodrome, however, cannot be used for the time being. None was killed or wounded. It has already been stated that one enemy bomber crashed through anti-aircraft gunfire.

Enemy planes have been seen over various towns in the outer possessions. In some places pamphlets were dropped".

During air reconnaissance an N. E. I. naval plane discovered a Japanese seaplane circling round the wreck of a burned out and abandoned ship apparently of about 6,000 tons of foreign nationality.

A later 'communique' said: "One of our passenger planes has been shot down by enemy action".

Situation In Malaya

SINGAPORE:— British 'communique' states: "The situation remains unchanged. There are engagements between patrols in the area of Sungei, Siput, Perak and north of Kemaman in Trengganu. There is no further news from Kuching."

JOINT PACIFIC MOVE AGAINST JAPAN

CANBERRA:— "Britain, the United States and Australia, have moved against Japan on the job of reversing the enemy's present offensive advantage", said the Australian Prime Minister, Mr. Curtin, broadcasting to-day.

"I am unable to indicate the precise force of these movements, but am greatly encouraged by the growing reinforcements for our side".

ROOSEVELT MESSAGE TO AUSTRALIA

NEW YORK:—One hint regarding the subjects of the Roosevelt-Churchill discussions appears in messages exchanged by President Roosevelt and the Australian Prime Minister, Mr. Curtin, on the opening of the new Radio-Telegraphic Circuit.

After greeting Mr. Curtin, President Roosevelt said: "Mr. Churchill, who is standing with me, joins these greetings and we give you our assurance that we consider the safety of your great Commonwealth as a definite essential in every plan of defence and every plan of offensive action against our common foes"—Reuter.

REDS MAINTAIN PRESSURE

MOSCOW, Dec. 26.

Russian troops under General Fedyuninsky are successfully attacking on the Leningrad Front, says a despatch to the "Izvestia".

The despatch reports that though the Germans are clinging to every locality and mining roads in attempts to stem the Russian advance at any cost, they are failing to do so. Other Soviet units are meeting with equal success.

The Germans launched a number of counter-attacks with the object of regaining lost ground, but every time were repulsed with heavy losses.

100 More Localities Cleared

"Over 100 localities" were cleared of the Germans by the Soviet troops on the Moscow front yesterday, according to a Press dispatch quoted by the Soviet News Agency. In one area, 1,900 Nazis were killed and many captured. The dispatch adds: "One Soviet unit has freed 45 villages in the last five days."

Reds Maintain Pressure

LONDON:—Russian forces are maintaining their pressure and have taken Oscuye, 62 miles south-west of Tikhvin and Kaluga, south-west of Moscow, it is learned in authoritative circles in London. The morale of German prisoners is very low, sickness in the German army being high, it is added. The severity of the German casualties is accentuated by the fact that a high proportion of the casualties is proving fatal.

Nightlong Fighting

A Soviet 'communique' states that there was nightlong fighting on all fronts.

Thursday's Soviet night 'communique' stated:

Nazi Claims

BERLIN:—A German High Command 'communique' referring to the war in Russia says: "Italian and Slovak troops on the eastern front assisted in repelling enemy attacks inflicting heavy losses. In the central sector of the eastern front hard defensive fighting is continuing. Numerous Soviet tanks have been destroyed. An attempted break-through at Leningrad by strong enemy forces, supported by thirty tanks failed. The enemy here lost over 1,000 men and 19 tanks, including some of very heavy type. Six others were set on fire.—Reuter.

REWARD Rs. 100

M. REGHELINI

The abovenamed M. REGHELINI formerly Miss Hassett is MISSING, since 17th December, from BOMBAY. About 5 feet in height, black hair, rather slim, brunette complexion. Small bunch of warts on wind pipe. Inform Commissioner of Police, Bombay, or "Bombay Chronicle".

Indian Units Occupy Benghazi

Br. Wounded Recovered From Italian Hospital: Supply Ship Catches Fire

ROME, Dec. 26.

An Italian Communique on Friday says that Benghazi has been occupied by Indian units without fighting.

Commenting on the loss of Benghazi the Rome radio says: "It is certainly painful for the Italian people to hear for the second time that Benghazi has fallen into the hands of the enemy."

To-day's German Communique reports that in North Africa fighting continues. It admits the capture of Benghazi by the Allies.

THIRTEEN THOUSAND AXIS PRISONERS.

CAIRO, Dec. 26.

It is officially stated over 13,000 German and Italian prisoners have now reached the hospital and camps but a large number still remain to be evacuated.

The following is the text of a communique issued by the British G.H.Q. Middle East, Cairo on Friday: "Although isolated bodies in various stages of disorder still remain round Barce and southward of Benghazi, the bulk of the retreating enemy now appears to be in the Agedabya area.

Northward of Agedabya is a certain amount of confused fighting in which our troops are taking their toll of enemy parties attempting to escape southwards. During this fighting six enemy tanks were knocked out yesterday and in addition three Italian tanks, eleven Italian armoured cars, eleven German light tanks, some German and Italian aircraft. Together with a considerable amount of material were found abandoned in the Barce area.

BR. WOUNDED RECOVERED

In this same general area in addition to taking prisoners we recovered a number of British wounded, who were found in an Italian hospital.

ENEMY ATTEMPT DEFEATED.

In the frontier area an enemy detachment from one of the isolated garrisons near Sollum attempted to make a sortie with the object of obtaining food and water. The attempt was defeated and four enemy light tanks were disabled.

A small vessel bringing supplies to Axis forces beleaguered at Halfaya was engaged by our field artillery. The vessel received direct hits as the result of which it ran ashore, caught fire and burned out.

Our air forces carried out sweeps over the area of operations in support of our troops and continued attacks on enemy columns. Over 13,000 German and Italian prisoners have now reached hospital and prisoner-of-war camps in the area in addition to which a large number still remained in the evacuated areas."

Huge Fires Started In Tripoli

CAIRO, Dec. 26.

An R.A.F. Middle East Communique states:—

"Concentrations of enemy motor transport, armoured fighting vehicles and guns south-west of Jedabya were effectively attacked by our fighter aircraft yesterday and considerable damage was done. Other enemy motorized units in the El-Agheila area were bombed during Wednesday night, direct hits obtained and a number of lorries destroyed.

HUGE FIRES STARTED.

On Tuesday night objectives at Tripoli and Misurata were raided. At Tripoli direct hits were scored on the Karamanli mole, while at Misurata bombs fell on barracks, motor transport, parks, ordnance depot and other military buildings. Fires which broke out were seen many miles from the target.

RAIDERS INTERCEPTED.

Formations of enemy aircraft which attempted to raid Malta on December 24 were intercepted by our fighters and two ju 88 were shot down, a third being shot down by anti-aircraft gun defences. From these and other operations three of our aircraft are missing".—Reuter.

PLEA FOR UNITED FRONT

Factional Fight Will Kill Democracy

LIBERAL FEDERATION ON BRITISH PLEDGE

Demand For Definite Time-Limit For Dominion Status

MADRAS, Dec. 26.

The 23rd annual session of the National Liberal Federation of India commenced this afternoon at the Rasika Ranjana Sabha Hall, Mylapore, Sir Bijoy Prasad Singh Roy, ex-Minister of Bengal, presiding.

There was a large gathering of delegates and visitors from all over India including a number of ladies, prominent among those present were Sir V. N. Chandavarkar, Right Hon. V. S. Srinivasa Sastri, Sir Chimanlal Setalwad, Sir Cowasjee Jehangir, Pandit Hirdyanath Kunzru, Dr. R. P. Paranjpye, Dr. G. S. Mahajani, Sir A. P. Patro, Mr. P. N. Sapru, Mr. T. R. Venkatarama Sastri, Sir Vepa Ramesam, Mr. T. B. Gadre and Miss Sherin Kesawala.

The proceedings commenced with the singing of "Vandemataram" by a choir of girls from the National High School, Mylapore.

Sir P. S. Sivaswami Iyer, Chairman of the Reception Committee, then welcomed the delegates whereafter Sir Bijoy Prasad Singh Roy delivered his presidential address.

THE BHAGALPUR BAN

After the presidential address, the open session was adjourned till to-morrow afternoon when, it was announced, the Rt. Hon. V. S. Srinivasa Sastri would move a resolution on the action of the Bihar Government in banning the Bhagalpur session of the Hindu Madasabha and arresting the Hindu leaders proceeding to Bhagalpur in connection with the annual session.

The Subjects Committee of the Federation will meet this evening to consider resolutions to be placed before the open session tomorrow and the day after.

PRESIDENT'S ELECTION

Mr. T. R. Venkatarama Sastri formally proposing Sir Bijoy Prasad Singh Roy to the chair said that events were moving so fast every day that between the time their president-elect had left Calcutta and arrived in Madras a state of emergency had been declared in Calcutta and the Hindu Mahasabha leaders who had been assisting the Government wholeheartedly in the war efforts had been arrested. They had been faced with a serious problem as the situation had become critical both externally and internally In Sir Bijoy Prasad, he said, they had perhaps the youngest president the Federation ever had upto now, and he was sure their proceedings under his presidentship would be a great success.

PLEA FOR JOINT WORK.

Sir Chimanlal Setalwad and Pandit Hirdayanath Kunzru supported the proposition. Mr. A. S N. Murthi, delegate from Orissa, in further supporting the proposition suggested that their new President might give a lead in evolving a common formula upon which they could work hand-in-hand with other political parites in the best interests of the country. He believed that despite the outward differences there was a basic unity among the various parties and that they could easily work conjointly with others on points of contact such as the constructive programme of the Congress.

Sir Bijoy Prasad occupied the presidential chair amidst cheers and delivered his address.

President's Speech

"In view of the chaos of political thought and undisciplined action, the need for a united front for the achievement of our political advancement is great. The group spirit, the partisan bias, class conflict, tompeting self-interest—all this is clogging the path of our progress. It is unfortunate that in the absence of cohesion amongst the different political parties, communal and sectional movements are gaining strength."

Thus observed Sir Bijoy Prasad Singh Roy in the course of his presidential address.

Continuing Sir Bijoy Prasad said: "The energy of the nation is being dissipated over a host of sectional causes. In normal times, we could wait for the slow progress whereby movements gain in strength gradually and make for effective united action. But the present situation is likely to deteriorate beyond redemption if it is left to take its own course. Signs are visible which make it clear that the cause of Democracy is in jeopardy.

The Congress definitely invokes the name of Democracy in all its moves, but its method and manner of execution have not the liberal contents of democracy.

The Muslim League, in its basic ideal, is very far from democracy as it stands for the vindication of a particular community. The Hindu Mahasabha, in its present strength, is largely the result of reaction from communal bickerings.

To make the political struggle effective, we must come together and present a united front. It is imperative that all of us should feel for the country and act as a united force.

The factional fight which is going on may ultimately lead to the building of a strong party seeking to disavow democracy for its own purposes. We shall, in that event, stand defeated in the course of our struggle and in attaining the objective.

The necessary consequence of such a struggle is the growth of a tyrannous party, intolerant of criticisms and authoritarian in issuing decrees. That will be the grave of our fight for the cause of democracy.

I would, therefore, plead for national unity on democratic lines for the pursuit of our political struggle If democracy is to be made a living forces amongst us, we shall know how to feel for all and to act in co-operation with all".

Referring to the promise of the British Government to grant Dominion Status the President said: "The mere pledge of Dominion Status does not inspire enthusiasm amongst our countrymen because it is fastened round with three vague conditions:

(1) There is no definite time-limit at the end of which the pledge will be redeemed:

(2) The transfer of political powers should be consistent with certain historic and other obligations which the British Government have towards India;

(3) The right of self-determination will be conceded in the event of agreement amongst Indians themselves. This three-fold brake emphasised in the recent declarations of the Viceroy and the Secretary of State for India has rendered the pledge illusory and incapable of being redeemed. The history of British rule in India is strewn with many a broken pledge, and they honoured such pledges only when the Indian national demand proved inexorable. It is a sad comment on British statesmanship.

Referring to the present world war Sir Bijay Prasad said that it was a mighty conflict between two systems of thought. The intensification of nationalism and the glorification of power-politics had given birth to Hitlerism. It was a challenge of the armed force to the human spirit of freedom. The present war could only end when Hitlerism was destroyed.

Referring to the Pakistan Scheme of the Muslim League the President stated: "It is very unfortunate that in a land marked by comprehensive synthesis at every turn of historical process, the theory of a hostile and dual attitude is gaining ground.

The Pakistan movement as propagated, is a challenge to the fundamental unity running through the whole continent of India; it is a repudiation of the unity of purpose which underlies the external multitudinous ramifications of society. Such a scheme leaves society open to the assaults of chaos and anarchy."

In conclusion Sir Bijoy Prasad observed: "In the sphere of politics the transfer of power to Indians is necessary; in the field of economics, primary efforts should be the augmentation of national wealth with equitable distribution amongst all dynamic factors of production; in social matters, we should rise from the slough of listlessness and make our society more vigorous and responsive."

The Welcome Address

The present deadlock in the country was far more largely due to the issue between Britain and India in regard to the unwillingness of the former to transfer real power to the people of India than merely the result of domestic problem arising from the failure of the two major communities to come together, observed Sir P. S. Sivaswami Aiyer, Chairman of the Reception Committee, in his Welcome Address.

"The deadlock", he said, "is mainly due to the feelings of suspicion and distrust which have pervaded the relations between the people and the Government and between the different communities 'inter se'.

These feelings have been encouraged by the attitude and policy of the British Government, and the unreasonable intransigence of any particular party must be overcome by the authorities responsible for the situation.

One of the devices which have been adopted for creating and keeping alive feelings of hostility is the separate electorate for the Hindus and Muslims which was brought into existence by Lord Minto.

The refusal of Mr. Winston Churchill to extend the Atlantic Charter even at this time of the gravest world crisis and the refusal to fix a date for the attainment of Dominion Status betray a deplorable lack of statesmanship, and have contributed to deepen the suspicion of the people in the sincerity of British promises qualified by conditions which cannot possibly be fulfilled in any near future."

Incidentally the speaker referred to the action of the Bihar Government and said "The arrest of Mr. V. D. Savarkar, the President of the Hindu Mahasabha, and other members of the Sabha is an amazing act of folly in keeping with the attitude of Mr. Winston Churchill and other diehard Tories who control the Cabinet".

Adverting to the Muslim League's demand for Pakistan Sir Sivaswamy said "The demand of the Muslim community for the division of India into Pakistan and Hindustan is one which no Hindu, or for that matter any one sincerely interested in the national integrity and welfare of India, can possibly agree to."

ALLIES WILL WIN.

The speaker at the outset referred to the war and said:—

"However prolonged it may be, the resources of the allied powers and the justice of the cause for which they are fighting justify a feeling of confidence that inspite of any temporary setbacks and reverses, the war will end in the victory of the Allied powers.

It is, however, bound to lead to an upheaval in the present order of things, political, economic and social.

New international and domestic problems will arise for solution, and we in India cannot hope to escape the impact of the new forces and problems, more especially as the menace of war is approaching our own shores.

The political parties in India will have to re-examine their position in regard to the political goal of India, their ideals and policies, internal and foreign, and the methods by which they can achieve their ideal for the India of the future.

He emphasised the need for retaining British connection.

Proceeding, Sir Sivaswamy Aiyer deprecated the Congress demand for complete independence.

The speaker also criticised the policy of non-co-operation advocated by the Congress.

Concluding he said, "Whatever trouble and ordeals the war may entail upon us there is no reason to despair of the future.

Public opinion in England is gradually setting in favour of a fresh orientation of the policy of the British Government towards India.

Public opinion in America is also in sympathy with our aspirations and efforts for the attainment of an honourable position in the British Commonwealth and of an equal and free partnership with Britain and the other members. We may therefore look forward to the fulfilment of our aspirations for Dominion Status very shortly after the conclusion of the war."—A.P.

LIBERAL FEDERATION COUNCIL MEETS

MADRAS, Dec. 26.

The Council of the National Liberal Federation of India met last evening at Servants of India Society, Sir V. N. Chandavarkar presiding. The report of the work for the past year together with statements of accounts was read and adopted.

The Council reviewed the present political situation and a discussion took place on the recent attitude of the Government towards holding meetings like those of the Hindu Mahasabha at Bhagalpur. It is understood a resolution strongly condemning Government's action will be placed oefore the open session of the Federation.

Those present included Sir Chimanlal Setalwad, Sir Cowasjee Jehangir, Dr. R. P. Paranjpye, Rt. Hon. Srinivasa Sastri, Sir P S. Sivaswami Aiyer, Mr. T. R. Venkatarama Sastri, Dr. Mahajani, Principal, Fergusson College, Poona, and Sir Bijoy Prasad Singh Roy.—A. P.

CHURCHILL & ROOSEVELT ATTEND PRAYERS

Crowds Throng Streets To See Leaders Of Democracy

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.

President Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill attended divine service at Foundry Methodist Church.

Kneeling together they led the free peoples of the world in a solemn prayer for victory, peace and restoration of liberty.

The President, Mrs. Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill joined in hymns and congregation responses. Together with Lord Beaverbrook they occupied the fourth pew in middle aisle.

Among others present were Gen G. C. Marshall, the United States Chief of Staff, Admiral Stark, Chief of Naval operations, and Major-Gen. Arnold, Chief of the United States Air Force.

Field Marshal Sir John Dill and Air Chief Marshal Sir Charles Portal were also in the congregation.

After service the president and the British Prime Minister returned to the White House where Mr. Churchill and Lord Beaverbrook, with other members of Mr. Churchill's party, are the guests of the President and Mrs. Roosevelt.

Thousands of men, women and children lined a Washington street and took up vantage points at the windows of a neighbouring house near the church on Thursday morning to catch a fleeting glimpse of Mr. Churchill and Mr. Roosevelt as they sped by in a limousine 'en route' for their historic Christmas service together.

The same thousands waited for over an hour in brisk morning air until the inter-denominational service—attended by a crowd of more than a thousand worshippers—was concluded, in the hope of seeing the two great democratic leaders as they returned to the White House.

Just before 11 a.m. Mr. Churchill, Mr. Roosevelt and Mrs. Roosevelt drove up to a special side entrance. Lord Beaverbrook and other high British and American officials followed in cars behind.

A few minutes past noon all the people were cleared from the front of the building until the President and the distinguished guest had re-entered their cars waiting at the side door and sped back to the White House.—Reuter.

11 To Hang In Spy Trial

Former Secretary Of Yugoslav Legation Among Condemned

LONDON, Dec. 25.

Eleven death sentences were pronounced in Sofia yesterday at the end of a big spy trial which lasted 50 days, announced the Sofia radio.

Among those condemned was Dr. George Dimitrov described as the former Secretary of Yugoslav Legation in Sofia.

The accused were charged with plotting against the safety of the Bulgarian state "with the aid of the British and Yugoslav legations."

FOUR EXECUTED.

A Big Sofia spy trial ended last night with eleven out of the 36 accused being condemned to death, reports a Sofia dispatch to the Italian News Agency. Four of the condemned were executed immediately. Others were condemned 'in absentia' including the leader of the organization Dr. George Michel Dimitroff (not to be confused with the Reichstag trial Dimitroff now in Russia) and Mr. Norman Davis, former British Press attache in Sofia and four former employees of the British Legation in Yugoslavia. The accused, according to the Italian agency, were "guilty of numerous acts of terrorism, sabotage and espionage".

It is pointed out in London that Minister Norman Davis has been out of Bulgaria since sometime before the severance of diplomatic relations with Great Britain.—Reuter.

IRAN TO SIGN TREATY ON SUNDAY

Foreign Minister Says Soviet And Britain Will Protect Against Invasion

PESHAWAR, Dec. 25

The Iranian Foreign Minister, Mr. Aziz Suheili made a lengthy statement on the treaty between Iran, Great Britain and Soviet Russia assuring the Iranian Parliament that the treaty was in the best interests of the country and her people.

He said that while Iranian sovereignty stood unjeopardized these two Powers undertook to protect Iran from invasion by any other power. The text of the treaty, which was now awaiting ratification, had already been supplied to the House and a close study of its clauses would convince anyone that none better could have been secured. In order to have a cool consideration of all aspects, negotiations for the treaty had to be prolonged.

NEUTRALITY GOES

Soon after the outbreak of the present war, said Mr. Suheili, Iran declared her neutrality hoping that the war would not spread beyond Europe. But the trend of world affairs did not take the form which the late Government of Iran expected and the hopes that the war would remain away proved false. The great catastrophe of history had necessitated the removal of the word neutrality from all the languages of the world. He referred to Sweden and expressed his surprise how that Government called herself neutral. He did not know how a country could allow allen troops to pass through its territory and yet remain neutral.

Iran, continued the Foreign Minister, would maintain friendly relations with her neighbours and with countries with whom her interests were closely bound.

Mr. Suheili declared that beyond the text already made known no secret correspondence or notes had been exchanged between the contracting parties and no secret understanding existed between them.

It is understood that the terms of the Anglo-Iranian-Soviet treaty are being discussed by the Foreign Affairs Sub-Committee of the Iranian Parliament in Teheran to-day.

According to present arrangements the treaty will be signed on Sunday.—A. P.

103

Why Not Look and Feel YEARS YOUNGER

YOU can look years younger than you really are. You can have a flawless complexion, youthful figure and be active and happy if you follow the golden rule of taking two Bile Beans regularly every night.

Bile Beans bring renewed health and vigour and counteract any tendency to put on weight. So, if you want to be youthful and energetic, remember to take Bile Beans at bedtime.

OVER ONE MILLION BILE BEANS ARE SOLD EVERY DAY

This is how Bile Beans act. Bile Beans are prepared from pure vegetable extracts and therefore can be taken regularly every night with perfect safety. They tone up the system, purify the blood and daily remove all food waste; thus improving your health and keeping you youthful and attractive.

BILE BEANS

KEEP YOU HEALTHY AND YOUTHFUL

All Medicine Dealers Sell Bile Beans—Price ONE RUPEE a Bottle

I THOUGHT MY BABY WOULD NEVER BE HEALTHY AND STRONG

Baby had been sickly from birth. Did not gain as he should, was weak and thin.

Then a friend advised Quaker Oats. Gruel at first and later in porridge form.

Baby showed an improvement after only 30 days. Six months later he was a healthy, happy child, well nourished and gaining regularly.

Babies thrive on Quaker Oats, it does so much for them. First it supplies the nourishment, the minerals, proteins and carbohydrates to develop body, bone and muscle. It aids in the growth of teeth and fingernails, makes rich, red blood. Its Thiamin (Vitamin B-1) offsets nervousness, creates appetite, aids digestion, helps avoid constipation. A Quaker Oats baby is a healthy, happy baby.

So, mothers, help your little one to grow up strong and sturdy. Give him Quaker Oats every day. Quaker Oats is delicious in taste too. Children like it and you can serve it with confidence, for it is a pure vegetable food which conforms with all religious dietary laws. Eat Quaker Oats yourself as well and serve it to all your family, it is equally beneficial to all. Buy a tin today.

NQH

QUAKER OATS

MUTT AND JEFF— Tanks Are Tanks, Whether on Wheels or On the Hoof — By BUD FISHER

THE NEW BABY TANKS ARRIVE IN CAMP TODAY- BUT WHY WORRY ABOUT THAT? THIS IS VISITING DAY!
EXPECT TO SEE SOME CUTIES, EH, MUTT?
WELL, S'LONG, PAL! SEE YA LATER!
HEY, MUTT! HERE COMES A BABY TANK!
?
WOW!! THOSE THINGS ARE FAST!

EDWARD

Daily at 4, 6-30 & 10 p.m.
SUNDAY MORNING AT 10 A.M.
SPECIALLY FOR
THE NEW-YEAR WEEK

WHOLE SERIAL SHOWS
MON. 29TH DEC. MORN. AT 10.
Lightning Warrior
RIN-TIN-TIN—FRANKIE DARROW

WED. 31ST & THURS. 1ST JAN.
THE HURRICANE EXPRESS

One Final Show!
TOMORROW 10 A.M. HALF RATES
MUNI
in his greatest performance
ZOLA
with CAST OF 1000'S
PATHE DON'T MISS IT.

THEIR ROYAL HIGHNESSES
THE King AND THE Queen
—WHO ARE VISITING THIS GREAT CITY OF BOMBAY
VERY SOON—
SEND THEIR
X'MAS GREETINGS
To The CITIZENS OF BOMBAY & WISH THEM
A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR
FOR THE PARTICULARS ABOUT THEIR ARRIVAL WATCH OUR NEXT GAZETTE.

TWO MORNING SHOWS
At 10 A.M. on Sunday & Monday, 28th & 29th
HEAR POET TAGORE'S SONGS in
PARICHOY
NEW THEATRES' Bengali Hit
Starring
KANAN, SAIGAL, RATIN
AT
NEW WEST END

BOMBAY XMAS MEETING: 6th DAY

Sitara's Outstanding Chance In Aga Khan's Cup

DIANA AND PIERRE MAY NOT MEET DEFEAT

(From Our Correspondent).
BOMBAY, Friday.

Big-sized fields are due to compete to-morrow at Mahaluxmi when the race for the Aga Khan's Cup the outstanding attraction will be put for decision.

Sitara, a ready winner over 1 1/4 mile, a fortnight ago, has an outstanding chance in the Cup event. Greetings and Elilaw are expected to put up resistance.

In the Doncaster Plate, I am much impressed by the track-display of Flower of India and am of opinion that she is speedier than the Kolhapur-owner Diamond Ring.

The following are my selections:

DOUBLE EVENT:
Diana,
Flower Of India.
TREBLE EVENT
Pierre,
Sitara,
Linguaphone.
DARK FLUKES:
Highland Reel,
Ishrat Sultana.

1ST RACE:
HILAL SALAAM 1
PUKAR 2
MUSAFIR F

2ND RACE:
BOONIAN 1
UMEIM 2
HATIM TAY F

3RD RACE:
DIANA 1
MOHANMALA 2
MADAM POMPADOUR F

4TH RACE:
MARENGO 1
ROYAL SCEPTRE 2
DOUBLE OAK F

5TH RACE:
PIERRE 1
MONEY GOLD 2
VICTORY F

6TH RACE:
FLOWER OF INDIA 1
DIAMOND RING 2
NUIT-DE-NOEL F

Last Year's Results
CHANAK 8-11, Sibbritt
TICANTO 8-6, Laloo
GOOD CARE 8-0, Davison
MIDDLESOME 7-11, Eude

7TH RACE:
SITARA 1
GREETINGS 2
ELILAW F

Last Year's Results
TALL STORY 7-8, Eude
GAY TALKIE 8-9, Brace
PIERROT 8-5, Britt
G. OF KOLHAPUR 8-3, Sibbritt

8TH RACE:
LINGUAPHONE 1
SUNDIAL 2
HIGH LIGHTS F

9TH RACE:
ZAFAR PASHA 1
JARIR 2
JOHN WILKES F

FOOTBALL LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS

LONDON: December 25.

There was a thrilling finish to the Football League North Championship, both the leaders, Blackpool and Preston, being beaten at home. Blackpool won the Championship with 29 pts. Preston and Lincoln each scored 27 points, but Preston were slightly superior on the goal average.

Leicester won the South Championship with 26.47 points, being allowed 1.47 for one match not played. Westbromwich were awarded 7.3 points for five matches not played and finished second with 26.3 pts.—Reuter.

Ban On Luari Fair

KARACHI, Dec. 26.

An order under the District Police Act has been issued by the District Magistrate of Hyderabad (Sind) directing all access to Luari village in Hyderabad district to be closed for 15 days from December 22 to January 5, as riot or grave disturbance of peace is apprehended on December 22 on the occasion of what is popularly known as Luari Haj Fair in the village. Members of the public are also restrained from visiting Luari unless they possess a permit from the proper authorities.

An order under Sec. 144 Cr. P. C. has been promulgated directing Muslims including followers of the Pir of Luari to abstain from joining, attending, addressing or otherwise taking part in the Luari Haj Fair or procession on any date from December 22 to January 5, as the proposed fair and congregation and procession are opposed to religious tenets and beliefs and are likely to wound religious susceptibilities of persons following the Muslim faith and are likely to further cause annoyance and to lead to riots and disturbance of the public peace.—A. P.

Calcutta Races

Finalist Wins The Viceroy's Cup

CALCUTTA, Dec. 26

A large crowd turned out again to-day for the Viceroy's Cup which was won by Finalist from Bistolfi and Theogundi.

Their Excellencies the Viceroy and the Marchioness of Linlithgow along with His Excellency the Governor of Bengal and the Lady Mary Herbert were in the paddock to review the horses.

The start was a bad one. Military was left and did not take any part in the race, although much was expected from this much improved animal. Bistolfi led the field followed by Steel Helmet, Finalist and Theogundi. This was the position till the animals neared the four furlong post, and then Finalist moved to second place behind Bistolfi followed by Theogundi and Steel Helmet. As the horses entered the straight joines gave Finalist its head and the old veteran went on to win by a length.

Reaching on the whole was bad for the public. Finalist was the only odds on favourite to win; indeed, it started as one of the hottest favourites ever to win the Viceroy's Cup, and with its victory the double tote dividend was one of the smallest ever paid since the introduction of the Double and Treble Totes.

During the days racing Goswell and Bloss sent out two winners each and Sharp was the only Jockey to ride two winners.

The following are to-day's Race results:—

THE GRAND ANNUAL. Dist.—About 2 miles—Fascinated 11-6, Scarlett 1; Widden Hill 11-1, Jackson 2; Metat 10-11, Brown 3; Assault at Arms 9-11, Smart 4. All ran.

Tote paid: Rs. 39 for win, Rs. 33-8, Rs. 13 and Rs. 17 for places.

THE NEWCASTLE PLATE (Div. III) Dist.—About 1 mile:—Lappord 8-6, Sharp 1; Crow Park 9-4, Marrs 2; Temperance 8-13, Ayres 3; Autoland 9-0, Harris 4. Not run: Lemanaghan.

Tote paid: Rs. 130-8 for win, Rs. 37-8, Rs. 21-8 and Rs. 47-8 for places.

THE WARWICK PLATE (Div. I) Dist.—About 1 1/4 miles:—Royal Alliance 9-0, Carr 1; Forefather 7-12, Ayres 2; Levant 9-0, Walsh 3; Apple Cart 7-7, Lott 4. Not run: Radio Man.

Tote paid: Rs. 43-8 for win, Rs. 18-8, Rs. 32, and Rs. 31-8 for places.

THE NEWCASTLE PLATE (Div. I) Dist.—About 1 mile:—Mr. Justice 8-4, Adley 1; Weaver's Road 8-3, Ermer 2; Digtena Valley 8-4, Walsh 3; Royal Apple 8-5, Carr 4. Not run: Salmon Bar and Royal Air Force.

Tote paid: Rs. 47-8 for win, Rs. 18, Rs. 25 and Rs. 26 for places.

THE ANDERSON PLATE. Dist.—About 1 mile:—Kinkajour 8-8, Sharp 1; On Appro 8-12, Carr 2; Koa 7-4, Peacock 3; Panaster 8-10, Walsh 4. Not run: Moorsotis and Felibridge.

An Objection by the rider of On Appro against the winner was overruled.

Tote paid: Rs. 38-8 for win, Rs. 14, Rs. 16 and Rs. 17-8 for places.

THE VICEROY'S CUP. Dist.—About 1 3/4 miles:—Finalist 9-3, Jones 1; Bistolfi 9-3, Stead 2; Theogundi 9-3, Marrs 3; Steel Helmet 9-3, Carr 4. Not run: Baqlava.

Tote paid: Rs. 15-8 for win, Rs. 11, and Rs. 13 for places.

THE WARWICK PLATE (Div. II) Dist.—About 1 1/4 miles:—Plain George 7-4, Harris 1; Advantage 7-6, Foy 2; The Clue 9-4, Sharp 3; English Weather 9-2, Morely 4. All ran.

Tote paid: Rs. 107 for win, Rs. 120-8, Rs. 110 and Rs. 44-8 for places.

THE NEWCASTLE PLATE (Div. II) Dist.—About 1 mile:—Tom Cobley 8-7, Morley 1; Rare Gem 8-6, Ayres 2; Black Currant 8-3, Marland 3; Impetus 8-4, Carr 4. Not run: Canticle Metat.

Tote paid: Rs. 75 for win, Rs. 17, Rs. 33-8 and Rs. 13 for places.

Present To Afghan King

PESHAWAR, Dec. 25

Three best-breed ponies—two Indian, one Australian—intended for His Majesty King Zahirshan of Afghanistan, are now on their way to Kabul. They crossed the border into Afghanistan through the Khyber Pass earlier in the week. These horses will be presented to the Afghan King by Sir Francis Wylie, His Brittannic Majesty's Minister at Kabul, on behalf of the King Emperor.—A P.

Cricket Match In Honour Of Deodhar

Western India v. Rest To *Be Played On Jan. 11, 12, 13 and 14*

POONA, December 26.

Prof. D. B. Deodhar, the veteran cricketer of Maharashtra will be honoured on the completion of his 50th year on January 14, with a festival cricket match between a Western India twelve and the Rest of India twelve.

The Cricket Board of Control has given its approval to the staging of this match and has requested all Cricket Associations under its control to support this match, namely, January 11, 12, 13 and 14 and to send whatever players selected to play in this match.

The Board has, moreover, undertaken to select both the sides, but the Maharashtra Cricket Association who are the sponsors has requested that Prof. D. B. Deodhar should be entrusted with the captaincy of the Western India side and Major C. K. Nayudu should be asked to captain the other side taking into consideration the close ties that exist between Prof. D. B. Deodhar and Major C. K. Nayudu.—A. P.

'Hans' Wins Governor's Cup

LAHORE, Dec. 26.

The Governor's Cup, run over a distance of about six furlongs was won by Mr. Bengali Singh's "Hans" (Mami Cup), Maharaja Pratap Singh's "Bakshi" was second. The favourite "Silver Sister" did not even get a place.—A. P.

JAGADISH PRASAD'S CALL TO YOUTHS

Join Commissioned Ranks For Defence

MORADABAD, Dec. 26.

"Japan may yet do for us what it has done for China—create a new unity among us and a fresh resolve to so adjust our political differences, whether with the British Government or amongst ourselves is to enable us to put forth every ounce of our energy in the defence of our country. Young men have an urgent and patriotic duty to perform which they cannot escape, by reason of present political discontents, says Kunwar Sir Jagadish Prasad, in the course of a statement to the press.

"The bombing of a few towns in India if it comes should not dishearten us. A new China has risen out of four years of the most appalling Japanese brutalities and bombings—united as never before and with an invincible determination to expel her treacherous invaders.

Political disabilities have not prevented them from flocking to the civil services. Over a million Indians are now serving in the ranks of the army. They will be fighting at some stage along with the soldiers of China, Russia and the United States. It will be a national humiliation if even in the junior officer ranks there is a dearth of Indians to lead their own countrymen in battle. It serves no useful purpose at this perilous moment to linger too long on past British military policy in India. The opportunity is now there for Indians to join the commissioned ranks, if it is not seized, it will lower us greatly in the eyes of those nations whose good will it is so essential for us to win. The presence of vast numbers of Indian troops and the absence of an adequate number of Indian officers, will, by its very contrast, harm us politically and postpone almost indefinitely our military aspirations. The Indian army will remain as now an army of India soldiers mainly officered by the British.

"The five, ten, or fifteen thousand educated Indians should therefore be readily available to prove once for all in the supreme test of war that the natural leaders of Indian soldiers are their own countrymen. There will still be enough left, young men and old, to fight our political battles"—A. P.

FRIENDS OF SOVIET UNION

Move In University Towns Of India

BOMBAY, Dec. 26.

Mr. R. S. Pandit has issued the following statement:—

"In the University towns of Allahabad, Lucknow, Aligarh, Agra and Benares there is a move afoot for an association to be called Friends of Soviet Union. It will extend its work later to all places in the United Provinces. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru was present at the preliminary meeting of the proposed association and helped in preparing a draft manifesto.

"Supporters of this association are not all Socialists and they do not necessarily approve of the economic policy of the Soviet State. Minor episodes in the war apart, it is only the Chinese and Soviet peoples who have shown how a whole people can be moved to height of heroic sacrifice for freedom. The deliberate blowing up of Dneiper Dam was a magnificent and unforgettable symbol of heroic spirit and capacity to give up every thing one holds dear for the sake of freedom.

"Russia in war has shown that the political and economic structure built up in Soviet territory was sound and solid. No weak structure could have possibly survived the tremendous impact of Nazi war machine and the withdrawal over hundreds of miles and loss of valuable cities and industrial centres. It is very doubtful how far any other country, however powerful and old-established its Government, could have survived this terrific ordeal.

"Even in conduct of the war and harnessing economic and other resources, Russia appears to have done far better than Britain. This is a visible and demonstrable tribute to the soundness of the Soviet system which in spite of many errors and lapses in the past has been built on a secure foundation. It seems to be clear that this will have powerful effect on world economic organisation in future. It would be a tragedy indeed if this structure was crushed and annihilated as a result of this war".—United Press.

Egyptian Consulate's Id Greetings To Indian Muslims

On the occasion of the Baker-Id the Royal Consulate of Egypt, Bombay, present compliments and greetings with best wishes to all Muslim brethren throughout India.

On this occasion the Consulate will be open to visitors on December 29, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and the Consulate offices will remain closed from Monday the 29th and three days thereafter.—A. P.

Race Tips At A Glance

	1st Race.	2nd Race.	3rd Race.	4th Race.	5th Race	6th Race.	7th Race	8th Race.	9th Race
"Bombay Sentinel."	Pukar Hilal Salam S. Ghadhban	Umeim Boonian Sahran	Diana Mohanmala Aussie Girl	Royal Sceptre Marengo Sammy Brass	Pierre Steel Blue Highland Reel	Diamond Ring Flower of India Hot Bun II	Greetings Sitara Shalivahan	Royal Opera Linguaphone Sundial	Jarir Zafar Pasha Kaid Saoud
"Bombay Samachar.	S. Ghadhban Kuhailan Anwah Canter	Boonian Umeim Sidi Barrani	Diana Aussie Girl Mohanmala	Royal Sceptre Marengo Prominent	Pierre Scottish Star Steel Blue	Diamond Ring Lotharic Hot Bun II	Avon Song Greetings Elilaw	High Lights Linguaphone Sundial	Zafar Pasha Naiinj II Snapper
Sporting Times.	S. Ghadhban Hilal Salam Saif al Muluk Sa'ad Jassim	Boonian Sidi Barrani Prince Suri Umeim	Diana Mohanmala Firdouse Aussie Girl	Royal Sceptre Marengo Prominent Red Flower	Panorama Scottish Star Pierrre Money Gold	Diamond Ring Lotharic Flower of India Nuit-de-Noel	Greetings Sitara Shalivahan Elilaw	Enjeu Sundial Highland Sprig Um Colsoom	Zafar Pasha Astafer Allah Reformer Sagir Dahman
Turf Special.	Sultan Jaishri Arab Shah Hilal Salam	Umeim Sukab Ramzi Boonian Sidi Barrani	Aussie Girl Diana Lupescu Mohanmala	Double Oak Royal Sceptre Marengo Sunrich	Pierre I. Information Steel Blue Victory	Lotharic Eyrefield Pompeian Diamond Ring	Sitara Sc. of Gwalior Greetings Archmoon	Sundial High Lights Bisharin Um Colsoom	S. Dahman King Hilal Dahaman Ahmed Reformer
Motee Special	S. Ghadhban Saif al Muluk K. Anwah Salbi	Boonian Umeim Sidi Barrani Hatim Tay	Mohanmala Aussie Girl Pashwanji Firdouse	Prominent Marengo Royal Sceptre Double Oak	Pierre Panorama Scottish Star Money Gold	Eyrefield Diamond Ring Lotharic Nuit-de-Noel	Avon Song Greetings Sitara Gay Talkie	Bisharin Sundial High Lights Ishrat Sultana	Mikhlif Jabir Zafar Pasha Walk Over Dahman Ahmad
"Evening News."	Canter S. Ghadhban	Sahran Boonian	Diana Mohanmala	Prominent Marengo	Pierre Steel Blue	Flower of India Diamond Ring	Sitara Greetings	Bisharin High Lights	Dahman Ahmed Jarir
"Sanj Vartaman."	Canter Kuhailan Anwah	Sahran Umeim	Diana Firdouse	Royal Sceptre Marengo	Pierre Steel Blue	Flower of India Lotharic	Greetings Avon Song Monocle	Linguaphone Um Colsoom High Lights	Zafar Pasha Reformer Dahman Ahmed

DEFENCE SERVICES EXHIBITION TRAIN

Open To Bombayites On January 2 And 4

The Director of Information, Bombay, writes:—

The telling of the story of the battle of Keren, with the aid of a large model of the scene of action, is one of the features of the Defence Services Exhibition Train, which is now in Bombay Province.

The train's programme is: Viramgam December 28, Ahmedabad December 29, Baroda December 30, Surat December 31, Bulsar January 1, Bombay January 2, and 4, Kalyan January 5, Dhond January 6, Kurduwadi January 7, Sholapur January 8.

Wherever the train halts there are demonstrations beside it of tanks and armoured carriers in action, of field and mountain guns and the construction of a road block. Visitors also see how land mines are removed—as was done by Captain Bhagat in the feat of cold courage which won him the first V.C. to be awarded to an Indian in this war.

In addition, there are demonstrations of the use of smaller modern weapons, of unarmed combat and of medical arrangements in the field of battle. After dark is a cinema show, including films of troops in action.

The train itself contains five coaches filled with exhibits, among them models of warships, tanks, ammunition, weapons, clothing and such intricate apparatus as wireless sets and telephone exchanges. Attached to it is a truck containing a naval gun with which are given demonstrations of gun drill and firing. Another truck contains the fuselage of an aeroplane.

In Bombay the train will halt at Mahalaxmi Railway Station and will be open to the public on January 2 and 4. There will be no performance on January 3.

Presidency Health Returns

Health conditions in Bombay Province for the week ended December 20th were as under:—

PLAGUE:—Plague figures during the week were 39 cases and 21 deaths against 22 cases and 15 deaths reported in the previous week, and 42—34 revised.

CHOLERA:—The Cholera figures of cases and deaths were 45—28 against 44—26 reported and 115—73 revised for the previous week.

SMALLPOX:—The provincial figures of attacks and deaths from smallpox were 55—5 against 40—6 reported and 44—8 revised figure for the previous week.

FOOD ADULTERATION ACT.—The Bombay Municipality filed 70 cases. Forty-one previous cases—36 of milk adulteration, 4 of ghee and one of butter—were decided and fines amounting to Rs. 2,024 levied.

RECEPTION TO JAIN ACHARYA.

(From Our Correspondent)
VILE PARLE, Dec. 26

Enthusiastic reception was accorded to His Great Holiness Jain Acharya Shree Vijay Premsurishwarjee by Bombay and Suburban Jains on arrival here. His Holiness was led from here to Andheri 'Nivrutti Nagar' in a long procession. In the lecture hall before an assembly of about four thousand Jains, His Holiness Acharya Shree Ramchandrasuriji delivered a public lecture.

LOOK OUT FOR "NAI-ROSHNI" RACE TIPS
on the course each race day—and WIN!

OUR PREVIOUS WINNERS

13-12-'41.

1st Race	(1)	Sahram	Win	
	(2)	Hatimtai	Plk.	
2nd Race	(1)	Forget Me Not	Win	
	(2)	Dilawar	Plk.	
3rd Race	(1)	Punbdan	Win	
	(2)	Subjinjikar	Plk.	
4th Race	(1)	Soloman	Win	
	(2)	Fable	Plk.	
5th Race	(1)	Star Act	Win	
	(2)	Swastika	Plk.	
6th Race	(1)	Lothavia	Win	
	(2)	Diamond Ring	Plk.	
7th Race	(1)	KOTOR (W)	Win	
	(2)	Vijaya Kumari	Plk.	
8th Race	(1)	GREETINGS (P)	Win	
	(2)	Carabas	Plk.	
9th Race	(1)	HIKMAT PASHA (W)	Win	
	(2)	Akhu Amin	Plk.	

20-12-'41.

1st Race	(1)	RIMAN (P)	Win	
	(2)	Prince Suri	Place	
2nd Race	(1)	SAHRAN (P)	Win	
	(2)	Piccolo	Place	
3rd Race	(1)	UMEIM (P)	Win	
	(2)	SHANGHAI (W)	Place	
4th Race	(1)	SHERITOY (W)	Win	
	(2)	Double Oak	Place	
5th Race	(1)	Indication	Win	
	(2)	DR. MARY (W)	Place	
6th Race	(1)	KOTOK (P)	Win	
	(2)	Kanchanmala	Place	
7th Race	(1)	Pierrot	Win	
	(2)	Chanak	Place	
8th Race	(1)	Ishrat Sultana	Win	
	(2)	Foxlair	Place	
9th Race	(1)	SULTANA SALIM (P)	Win	
	(2)	Dahman Suri	Place	

24-12-'41.

1st Race	(1)	Astafer Allah	Win	
	(2)	KAID SAOUD (P)	Place	
2nd Race	(1)	Lord Clarion	Win	
	(2)	Kamala	Place	
3rd Race	(1)	WONDERFUL (P)	Win	
	(2)	Floataloan	Place	
4th Race	(1)	TORCH ROYAL (W)	Win	
	(2)	Neocsli	Place	
5th Race	(1)	TRUSTY (W)	Win	
	(2)	TYRANNY (P)	Place	
6th Race	(1)	Vandyke	Win	
	(2)	Black Magic	Place	
7th Race	(1)	Tipperary	Win	
	(2)	FORTUNATE LAD (P)	Place	
8th Race	(1)	Dancing Comet	Win	
	(2)	Moot Law	Place	
9th Race	(1)	Asaf Mauhmud	Win	
	(2)	TAJ MAHAL (P)	Place	

NAI-ROSHNI WINS AT PATHE WITH 8 STARS
Daily 3-30, 6-30, 10 P.M.
12-30 Matinee SUN. MON. TUES.

'Jhoola' To-day On Roxy Screen

Joag in 'Sangam' at West End

SARASWATI CINETONE'S 'AVAZ' WITH MAYA IN LEAD

Maya Bannerjee's dual role in "Avaz", a Saraswati Picture is destined to win fresh laurels for this beauty of Indian filmdom.

Born in Bengal, Maya had her College career at Calcutta and devoted much of her attention to the Girl Guide Movement at Allahabad, proving herself a first class nurse.

Strange as it may seem Maya is given the opportunity to portray her pep in her dual role in "Avaz" which so coincidentally satisfies her aspirations—thanks to the versatile pen of Mr. Dadla, a solicitor of the Bombay High Court.

Playing opposite to Wasti, who with his towering and handsome personality is bringing into play all his great natural talents for acting and hopes to snatch the honours from Maya and supported by Butt Koshar, Danve, Kailas and others she will excel all her previous achievements by her work in "Avaz" which is ably directed by Mr. R. Rizviy under the close supervision of Dadasaheb Torney.

SURENDRA TO STAR IN "GARIB"

Director Ramchandra Thakur's 'Garib' has been censored and is expected to be National's next release. Surendra, who has a tremendous fan following, returns to the screen in 'Garib' after a long spell of absence. He is not the old Surendra, but Surendra reborn, as it were, with sweeter melody that only very few singers possess.

The grim struggle of the unemployed is the theme of the story, skilfully woven round absorbing romantic interest. Rose is in the feminine lead.

"NAI ROSHNI" FOR X'MAS HOLIDAYS

National's 'Nai Roshni' at Pathe is very suitable entertainment for Christmas Holidays. It is being run at Pathe in the sixth week.

Realistic slices of life in Bombay as it obtains among the lower middle classes is its chief feature. It works out a good romantic story, with ample humorous situations and therefore appeals to every Bombay man.

Sardar Akhtar is in leading role and Sunalini, Kanayalal and others give her excellent support.

ROARING SUCCESS OF "DHANDORA"

"Dhandora" has captured the hearts of Bombayites. Rush of public is still unabated, and people throng at ticket-windows hours before the show. Its charm lies in Charlie's reappearance on the screen after a long interval of one and a half year, the brilliant direction by Charlie, his comic, punches, and his unique and funny songs. "Dhandora" has a brilliant cast, it includes Charlie in a dual role well supported by Dixit, Shamim, Husn Banu, Ghory, Kesari, etc., "Dhandora" has entered into the third week from this Saturday at Opera House.

Popular Old-Timers

"Gharki Laj" at Imperial in which Nazir and Shanta Hublikar are starred has proved a polpuar hit with families. Bombay's women have taken a special liking for this picture.

"Circus Queen" at Super is a picture that will specially suit children during the X'mas holidays.

ALL-INDIA THANKS-GIVING SHOW OF "SIKANDAR"

The Cinema Goers' Association of India, have decided to congratulate Mr. Sohrab Mody on December 31st by holding special shows of "Sikandar" simultaneously at all places (stations where the picture is in exhibition; when on the occasion due thanks-giving will also be offered to the Minerva Movietone for producing the Most Ideal Picture of the Indian Screen which has scored unanimous victory throughout the country.

The All-India Thanks-giving Show of "Sikandar" will be held in Bombay and simultaneously at all stations where "Sikandar" is in exhibition, on the evening of December 31st (New Year's Eve) with a view to congratulate Mr. Sohrab Mody, the Minerva Movietone and all others who have worked for the Prize Picture of the Indian Screen.

"Thikadar" In Bengali At Hindmata Cinema

That fine Bengali film depicting the dramatic and romantic story of labourers and landowners on the vast and colourful tea plantations of India is reviewed in Bombay for one show at Hindmata Theatre on Sunday at 11 A. M.

Directed by Profulla Roy, the film has a cast of outstanding talent in Durgadas Banerji, Robin, Jeevan and several good players. There are a good number of songs and comedy situations to ease the dramatic fervour.

Vanmala in 'Raja Rani' shortly coming

REFRESHING REALISM IN "SANGAM"

Entering into its seventh week at New West End, Navyug's latest offering "Sangam" seems to be well set for a prolonged run in the city. The crowds that besiege the box office daily indicate how "Sangam" has captured the fancy of the city cinegoers.

This overwhelming popularity of the picture is to be attributed as much to its delightful romance and delicious comedy as to its purposeful story and significant theme. The delightful romance superbly handled by such expert romancers as Meenakshee and Winayak is remarkable for its realism; it is also strikingly different from others in that unlike other screen romancers the hero and heroine never become despondent about life, not even when their love seems to be frustrated.

The same refreshing note of realism is evident in the comedy scenes of "Sangam". The character of the newspaper editor whose watchwords are "Diplomacy" and "Trade Secret" supplies most of the humorous lines and incidents in the picture; and this character is nothing but a scathing caricature of some of the black sheep let loose in the profession of the journalist.

The story and the theme are also realistic; they are nothing but true exposition of the war waged by Indian youths for the betterment of peasantry. This note of refreshing realism is not confined merely to screen-play by Khandekar. It permeates the whole picture. The direction by Junnarkar, performances by Winayak, Meenakshi and Damuanna, the technical treatment are equally noteworthy for refreshing realism.

Leela Chitnis, Ashok Kumar and V. H. Desai in 'Jhoola' coming to Roxy to-day.

Leela-Ashok Team Again

Tried Supporting Cast In New Film

At three o'clock this afternoon, will be released the film that is most looked forward to for some time. Bombay Talkies will hold the premiere of "Jhoola" at Roxy, and it may turn out to be the the season's most fruitful film.

The third S. Mukerji production and the third starring partnership of Leela Chitnis and Ashok Kumar, "Jhoola" betokens a maturity of production style and qualities, as well as of performance. Recent productions of the Malad studio have varied widely in their subjects and treatment. The widest measure of contrast, probably, was between "Bandhan" and "Naya Sansar", both produced by Mr. S. Mukerji and both outstanding in merit. It is exhilarating to speculate what new subject, and what fresh line of treatment, are adopted in "Jhoola".

Meanwhile, we are going to have one of the biggest premiers of the year this afternoon. With all the prestige of "Kangan" and "Bandhan", the reputations of Leela Chitnis and Ashok Kumar stand to-day as high as any star may hope for. That reputation, with the backing of the prestige of the Bombay Talkies Studio (which stands unchallenged on top, with three money-makers in the year) will undoubtedly attract audiences from all over the city and suburbs.

Enriching the star talent and production qualities of "Jhoola," is an excellent supporting cast of artistes of proved worth, including Shah Nawaz, competent character actor; V. H. Desai, prince among comedians; Mumtaz Ali, veteran dance artist and character actor; Shahzadi, chosen as fit partner to Mumtax in his dance numbers; and the talented Karuna Devi. Rajkumari Shukla and several others.

Music and dance, hearty comedy and powerful drama are understood to be among the ingredients of "Jhoola." It is no secret that Mr. S. Mukerji has placed the accent on comedy. He showed an excellent comic vein in "Bhandhan" and "Naya Sansar." So did his scenarist Mr. Gyan Mukerji, who has directed "Jhoola" besides being joint scenarist with Mr. Santoshi.

UDAY SHANKAR AT BROADWAY

By special arrangement that Broadway Talkies at Dadar are presenting two performances of Uday Shankar and the entire group of 25 artites on Sunday and Monday at 6-30 p.m.

Not only the regular patrons of Broadway but also all residents of Bombay North who have an eye for art will relish this piece of News. Especially so when people can see at lesser prices and save a lot of conveyance expenditure.

300 DAYS AND AFTER

The current film at this theatre is the Sagar Comedy "300 Days And After" which will be resumed after the dance performances of Uday Shankar.

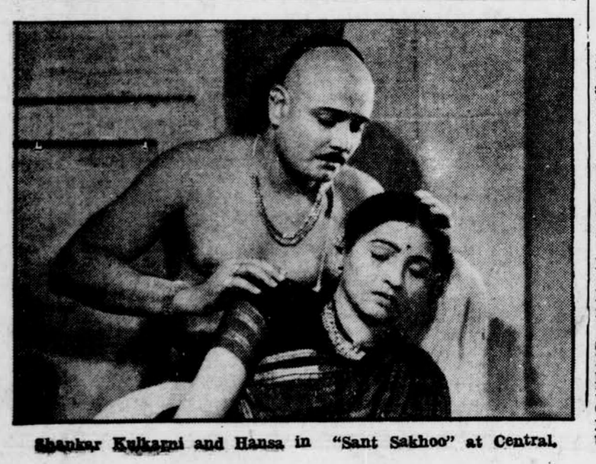
"SANT SAKHU" AT ITS BEST

The star Hansa, famous for her rich smile is at her best in Prabhat's "Sant Sakhu". Indeed, for all her popularity, she had never before attained the pace or the height that she does in this picture.

Gouri lept into fame with "Tukaram". First impressions are usually the strongest, but one cannot fail to notice a maturer manner in her performance in "Sant Sakhu".

Similarly, Shankar Kulkarni has bettered his "Gopal Krishna" performance; and Baby Sumitra has enhanced her "Dnyaneshwar" reputation.

Meanwhile, "Sant Sakhu" itself is at the height of its popularity at Central Cinema. The picture is in the thirteenth week; in the case of a Prabhat production, usually means the prime, youthful stage in its career at the theatre.



Shankar Kulkarni and Hansa in "Sant Sakhoo" at Central.

"KHAZANCHI" PLACED AT TWO HOUSES

It was a wise move on the part of Messrs. Famous Pictures, the Distributors, to relieve pressure on the Krishna Cinema by releasing "Khazanchi" also at the Plaza theatre in Dadar. Already, the picture was drawing excellent houses at the Krishna; and, with the holiday crowds, thousands would have had to go back from that theatre for lack of accommodation. As it is, both the Krishna and the Plaza have been full at every show from Christmas Eve, and hundreds had still to go away.

"SHADI" AT CHITRA

How luck favoured a poor man and made him rich, but how his child, who was married in her young days, had to toil and work in spite of her father's wealth is unfolded in a very touching and heart rending manner in Ranjit's splendid film "Shadi", which is screened this week at Chitra (Dadar).

The days of fathers selecting the would-be husbands for their educated daughters are gone and that is portrayed in 'Shadi' which features, such popular stars as Madhuri, Motilal, Khurshid, Ishwarlal, Dixit, Ghori and a host of others.

On Wednesday 31st morning at 10 A. M. "Parichaya" (in Bengali) featuring Saigal and Kanan will be shown at this theatre.

Chintamani Kolhatkar as Rao Bahadur in 'Asheervad' at Royal Opera House.

"SAJJAN" APPEALS TO BOMBAY

Sudarshan Pictures' smashing drama "Sajjan" has become popular in Bombay since its release at Lamington Talkies, through Distributor,—Producer Mr. L. M. Chnaoda of Sudarshan Pictures.

"Sajjan" tells a soul-stirring story of a man who had the strength of a giant but a heart of a child. People feared him and worshipped him as well. And at time came, when he became a regular legend amongst the people. What was strange about him? Some said that he was a murderer. Some said that he had no heart. Some whispered that he held some supernatural powers! All this had created a mystery about his personality.

But it was his design of living that revealed his self. His deeds proved that he lived for others. He made others happy!..... This is a story which has pathos, romance, humour, tragedy woven into a stirring drama by director Dwarka Khosla, with a thundering, climax.

The main cast—led by Jagdeesh, of New Theatres fame, Husn Banu, Satish and is quite ably supported by David, Urmilla and those famous comedians—Gope and Aga.

'Tamasha' Nearing Completion

With Sardar Akhtar (by courtesy of Minerva Movietone), Urmilla and Gope as the principal fun providers, Sobhagya Pictures' musical comedy 'Tamasha' is nearing completion. In the supporting cast are Devasker, W. M. Khan, Masood, Ahmed, Samson and Mino "The Mystic". Dwarka Khosla is directing. Music is by Pratap Mukerjee and Prof. More is responsible for dances.

Nazir and Shanta Hublikar in "Gharki Laj" at Imperial.

Shalini in "Tulsi" at Novelty

"ASHEERVAD" CATCHES POPULAR FANCY IN BOMBAY

On Wednesday Royal Opera House was packed to its full capacity to witness 'Asheervad', the new play of 'Natyaniketan.' Performances were more polished and Jyotsa Bhole's songs also were better rendered.

Among those present among the audience during the shows for the last two weeks were Mr. Walchand Hirachand, the Rt. Hon. M. R. Jayakar, Artist Karmarkar, Prof. V. M. Joshi, Mr. N. M. Joshi, Vanmala, Durga Khote and several others of similar stations in society.

"Asheerwad" has caught the fancy of Bombay's Marathi-speaking people.

Rabindra Nath's Songs In 'Parichoy' At West End

Here is a piece of good news for the ardent lovers of Bengal's art, "Parichoy"—New Theatres' Bengali version of "Lagan" (which ran for 25 weeks in Bombay) will specially be screened at New West End Cinema, on Sunday, 28th and Monday 29th—at 10 a.m.

To see and hear India's greatest poet—late Rabindra Nath Tagore's lyrics in Bengali, specially composed for "Parichoy", is a thing of great joy and pleasure.

"Parichoy", directed by Nitin Bose, brings you a beautiful psychological photo-play blazing a new trail of human emotions. The cast including Saigal, Kanan, Ratin Bannerji, Madho Shukla etc. The musical direction by R. C. Boral is another of its chief attraction. Do not fail to see "Parichoy" at New West End on Sunday and Monday mornings, 28th and 29th respectively.

Shalimar Pictures' Banana-Eating Star

If there is any girl who has reason enough to get sick with the mere sight of bananas it is Filmactress Feroza, Producer-Director Ahmed's new find, who will alongside with Neena make her screen debut in Shalimar Pictures' "Ek-Raat", which is rapidly nearing completion at the Shree Sound Studios, Dadar, Bombay.

Cast as the step-sister of Neena, Feroza's main characteristic for the picture is to show a healthy partiality towards bananas as a result of which, according to her, she has had to consume in one set alone over six dozen of the choicest fruit. No wonder the poor girl is cursing the day when some blundering epicurian discovered the nutritive value of this tropical fruit.

In addition to cursing this fruit, Feroza is reported to have said that she intends to form an association to be known as "The Association for the Prevention of Feeding Bananas to Actresses". Till this Association comes into being and until "Ek-Raat" is completed it is feared that banana-eating Feroza will have to continue banana eating whether she likes it or not.

Mahavir Pictures Start Work

Mahavir Pictures Limited which held the opening ceremony of its Studio and office at Gowalia Tank Road, Bombay, last week, will start production from the first week of January. It was announced that its first picture would be entitled 'Pativrata' and will be produced in Hindustani, Kanarese and Tamil.

BURGOYNE'S
Eucalyptus & Menthol
PASTILLES
BURGOYNE
गीपल दास
LOSS OF VOICE
SORE THROAT
NASAL CATARRH
can all be remedied with Burgoyne's Eucalyptus & Menthol Pastilles. Small but wonderfully potent, their healing vapour penetrates the nasal passages, the larynx and every cranny of the lungs, carrying disinfoction and healing as it travels. Speakers and singers will find they have a wonderfully strengthening and clarifying effect on the voice. For those who have to enter infected areas they provide powerful protection against all germs which enter the body via the nose and mouth.
Don't wait until colds attack you or there is an epidemic about, buy a bottle to-day.
Obtainable in 1-, 2- and 4-oz. bottles from all dispensaries, pharmacies and dealers.
BURGOYNE'S
EUCALYPTUS & MENTHOL PASTILLES
BOMBAY: M. E. Shah & Co. Mandvi Buildings, Lohar Chawl.
CALCUTTA: H. D. Nag, 36 Beniatola Lane.
MADRAS: South Indian Mercantile Co., 22 Mannare Street
Other Burgoyne Products include
EUCALYPTUS OIL
PARRISH'S CHEMICAL FOOD
COD LIVER OIL
EASTON'S SYRUP
IODISED SARSAPARILLA

MAXIMUM SELLING PRICES FOR PAPER

The Wholesale Dealers' profit is covered in these prices. If buyers are asked to pay more, they should report to:—

THE INDIAN PAPER SALES ASSOCIATION (BOMBAY).
FORBES BUILDING. P. O. BOX 816. BOMBAY.

Representing:—

THE TITAGHUR PAPER MILLS CO. LTD.
THE BENGAL PAPER MILL CO., LTD.
THE INDIA PAPER PULP CO., LTD. } CALCUTTA

THE DECCAN PAPER MILLS CO., LTD. POONA.

	Price per lb. As. ps.		Price per lb. As. ps.
CREAM LAID FOOLSCAP 8 lbs. & UPWARDS	5 6	WHITE PRINTING SUPERCALENDERED	5 10½
WHITE PRINTING M. F. DEMY 14 lbs. & UPWARDS	5 6	WHITE IMITATION ART	6 4½
WHITE DRAWING CARTRIDGE	5 6	TINTED " "	7 4½
SUPERIOR BADAMI DEMY 14 lbs. & UPWARDS	5 7	ANTIQUE LAID AND WOVE	6 1½
WHITE PULP BOARDS "	5 9	WHITE LITHO PRINTING	6 1½
TINTED " "	6 9	AZURE LAID LEDGER	6 6
WHITE ACCOUNT BOOK (Ahmedabadi) 16½x25½ 17 lbs. & UPWARDS	5 9½	HINDUSTHAN COVER	7 1½
BUFF " "	6 4½	" BRIGHT CRIMSON	8 1½
		WHITE HINDUSTHAN BOND	7 10½
		TINTED " "	8 10½
		WHITE BLOTTING	10 7½
		TINTED "	11 1½

ALL PRICES EX—GODOWN BOMBAY

As only limited quantities are available, supplies are restricted to immediate bona fide requirements of printers and other consumers.

The greatest invention of the past 15 years is in this Toothbrush

Best bristle brush was wrecked after 70,000 scrubs on glass rods.
Wisdom Toothbrush with nylon tufts was still like new after same test

WHY *Wisdom* REGD. IS THE NEW LEADER

THE greatest invention of the past 15 years is nylon. It can be spun as fine as silk or moulded like a bar of iron. It is made of carbon, hydrogen, oxygen and nitrogen—or simply, coal, air and water. But it is the amazing chemical construction of nylon which fits it for a thousand uses. The molecule in nylon is the longest molecule known to science. The result is toughness, springiness and long life unobtainable before — that is why it makes the ideal toothbrush.

ONE OF NYLON'S FIRST USES IS IN THE TUFTS OF THE WISDOM TOOTHBRUSH

No wonder this new brush has become the leader almost overnight. You have never used a toothbrush like it. No more bristles in your teeth—no more soggy brushing.

WISDOM TUFTS DON'T COME OUT

Wisdom tufts can't get soggy, can't split, won't come out. Every time you use your Wisdom it's like using a new toothbrush. *And* you'll find that a Wisdom outlasts three bristle brushes.

SHAPED TO CLEAN BETTER

Wisdom has yet another advantage — improved shape. The head lies back so that the tufts are in line with the handle. *All* the tufts come into action at once. The Wisdom cleans the backs of your wisdom teeth as easily as it cleans behind the centre arch. The Wisdom is made by Addis, makers of the first toothbrush in 1780.

Wisdom REGD. TOOTHBRUSH

MADE IN ENGLAND BY ADDIS — MAKERS OF THE FIRST TOOTHBRUSH IN 1780
Distributors: J. L. Morison, Son & Jones (India) Ltd., P.O. Box No. 258, Bombay & Branches

Does the antiseptic you use actually kill germs? Listerine Antiseptic destroys 98% of the mouth and throat germs in 30 seconds time. It is unequalled for safe, effective use. Protect your health and sweeten your breath with Listerine Antiseptic. V-81

LISTERINE THE SAFE ANTISEPTIC

THE ACID IN YOUR STOMACH WOULD BURN A HOLE IN THE CARPET

Chemists poured a few drops of Hydrochloric Acid (same as Stomach Acid) on to a thick pile carpet; the acid burned a six-inch hole. If acid does that to a carpet, you can imagine what it does to your stomach! Excess of stomach acid causes painful indigestion and dangerous stomach ulcers. Get rid of that mischievous excess acid—simply suck a Digestif Rennie Pastille after meals, or whenever you feel the pain of indigestion. Rennie is a pleasant type of lozenge; it becomes active at once, because it reaches your stomach full strength — dissolved only in your own saliva — not weakened with water.

WHEN YOU GET INDIGESTION

DIGESTIF

COSTS LESS THAN HALF ANNA PER DOSE.

RENNIES

Reach your stomach FULL strength

Japan Must Be Taught A

LESSON, SAYS CHURCHILL

(Continued from page 1)

our military plans and take all those intimate meetings of high officers of armed services in both the countries which are indispensable to a successful prosecution of war.

I should like to say first of all how much I have been impressed and encouraged by the breadth of view and sense of proportion which I have found in all quarters over here to which I have had access. Anyone, who did not understand the size and solidarity of the foundations of the United States, might easily have expected to find an exciting, disturbed and self-centred atmosphere with all minds focussed upon the novel, startling and painful episodes of a sudden war as they hit America.

OPEN QUARREL

After all the United States have been attacked and set upon by three most powerfully armed Dictator States—the greatest military power in Europe and the greatest military power in Asia—Japan, Germany and Italy have all declared and are making war upon you. The quarrel is open which can only end in their overthrow or ours.

But here in Washington in these memorable days I have found an Olympian fortitude which, far from being based upon complacency, is only the beginning of an inflexible purpose and proof of further well grounded confidence in the final outcome. We in Britain had the same feeling in our darkest days. We, too, were sure that in the end all would be well. You do not underrate severity of the ordeal to which you and we are still to be subjected.

THEY WILL STOP AT NOTHING.

The forces ranged against us are enormous. They are bitter, they are ruthless. The wicked men and their factions, who have launched their peoples on the path of war and conquest, know that they will be called to terrible account if they cannot beat down by force of arms the people they have assailed. They will stick at nothing. They have a vast accumulation of war weapons of all kinds. They have highly trained disciplined armies, navies and air-services. They had plans and designs which have long been tried and matured. They will stop at nothing that violence or treachery can suggest.

ALLIED RESOURCES.

It is quite true that on our side our own resources in manpower and materials are far greater than theirs. But only a portion of our resources are as yet mobilized and developed and we both have much to learn in the cruel art of war. We have, therefore, without doubt a time of tribulation before us. In the same time some ground will be lost which will be hard and costly to regain. Many disappointments and unpleasant surprises await us. During the best part of twenty years the youth of Britain and America has been taught that war is evil, which is true, and that it would never come again, which has been proved false. For the best part of twenty years the youth of Japan and Italy has been taught that aggressive war was the noblest duty of the citizens and that it should be begun as soon as the necessary weapons and organization have been made. This naturally has placed us in Britain and has now placed you in the United States at a disadvantage which only time, courage and enduring exertions can correct.

We have, indeed, to be thankful that so much time has been granted us. If Germany had tried to invade the British isles after the French collapse in June 1940 and if Japan had declared war on the British Empire and the United States at about the same date, no one could say what disasters and agonies might not have been our lot.

LOOK FOR 1943

But now at the end of December 1941 our transferment from easy going peace to total war efficiency has made very great progress. A broad flow of munitions in Great Britain has already begun. Immense strides have been made in the conversion of American industry to military purposes and now that the United States is in the war it is possible for orders to be given every day which in a year or eighteen months hence will produce results in the war beyond anything that has been seen or foreseen in the Dictator States. Provided that every effort is made by the whole man-power, brain power, virility, valour and civic fortitude of the English-speaking world, I think it would be reasonable to hope that the end of 1942 will see us definitely in a better position than we are now and that the year 1943 will enable us to assume the initiative upon an ample scale.

TRIBUTE TO RUSSIA

After all, when we are doing the noblest work in the world, not only defending our hearths and homes but the cause of freedom in other lands, the question of whether deliverance comes in 1942, 1943 or 1944 falls into its proper place in the grand proportions of human history. Sure I am that this day now we are masters of our fate, that the task which has been set us is not above our strength, that its pangs are not beyond our encurance. As long as we have faith in our cause and an unconquerable will power, salvation will not be denied us. In the words of the Palmist: "He shall not be afraid of evil tidings whose heart is fixed in the Lord; and all tidings will not be evil. On the contrary a mighty stroke of the war has already been dealt against the enemy—the glorious defence of their native soil by the Russian armies and people (cheers), wounds have been inflicted upon the Nazi system which have bitten deep and will fester and inflame.

BATTLE OF LIBYA

The boastful Mussolini has crumpled already. He is now but a lackey and serf, the merest utensil of his master's will. He has inflicted great sufferings and wrongs upon his own industrious people. He has been stripped of his African Empire and Abyssinia has been liberated. Our armies in the East, which were so weak and ill-equipped at the moment of the French desertion, now control all the regions from Teheran to Benghazi and Aleppo and Cyprus to the shores of the Nile. For many months we have devoted ourselves to preparing to take the offensive in Libya. Very considerable battles which have been proceeding there for the last six weeks in the desert have been most fiercely fought on both sides. Owing to difficulties of supply we were never able to bring numerically equal forces to bear upon the enemy. Therefore, we had to rely upon our superiority in the numbers and quality of tanks and aircraft, British and American. For the first time aided by them we have fought the enemy with equal weapons. We have made the Hun see the sharp edge of those tools with which he had enslaved Europe.

Armed forces of the enemy in Cyrenaica amounted to about 150,000 of whom one-third were Germans. General Auchinleck has set out to destroy totally those armed forces. I have every reason to believe that his aim will be fully accomplished. (cheers).

I am so glad to be able to place before you proof that with proper weapons and proper organisation we are able to beat the life out of the savage Nazis (cheers). What Hitlerism is suffering in Libya is only a sample and foretaste of what we have to give him and his accomplices wherever this war should spread and in every quarter of the globe.

GOOD TIDINGS TOO

There are good tidings also from the blue waters. The lifeline of supplies which joins our two nations across the ocean is flowing steadily in spite of all the enemy can do. It is a fact that the British Empire, which many thought eighteen months ago was broken and ruined, is now incomparably stronger and is growing stronger with every month (cheers). Lastly—to me the best tidings of all—the United States, united as never before, has drawn the sword for freedom and cast away the scabbard (loud cheers).

All these tremendous facts have led the subjugated peoples of Europe to lift their heads again in hope. In a dozen famous ancient States, now prostrate under the Nazi yoke, masses of people of all classes and creeds await the hour of liberation when they all will once again be able to play their part and strike their blows like men.

THE FAR EAST

The onslaught upon us so long and so secretly planned by Japan has presented both our countries with grievous problems for which we could be fully prepared. If people ask me—as they have the right to ask me in England—why is it that you have not got ample equipment of modern aircraft and weapons of all kinds in Malaya and the East Indies, I can only point out to the victories which General Auchinleck has gained in the Libyan campaign. Had we diverted and dispersed our gradually growing resources between Libya and Malaya we should have been found wanting in both spheres. If the United States has been found at a disadvantage in the Pacific ocean we know that is to no small extent because of the aid you have given in munitions for the defence of the British Isles and for the Libyan campaign and, above all, because of your help in the Battle of the Atlantic upon which all depends and which has been in consequence successfully and prosperously maintained.

RIGHT CHOICE.

Of course, it would have been much better, I freely admit, if we had had enough resources of all kinds to be at full strength at all points, but considering how slowly and reluctantly we brought ourselves to large scale preparations and how long these preparations take, we had no right to expect to be in such a fortunate position. The choice of how to dispose of our hitherto limited resources had to be made by Britain in time of war and by the United States in time of peace; I believe that history will pronounce that upon the whole—and it is upon the whole that these matters must be judged—the choice made was right. Now that our two considerable nations, each in perfect unity have joined all their energies in a common resolve our steady light will glow and brighten.

JAPANESE ACTION.

Many people have been astonished that Japan should in a single day have plunged into war against the United States and the British Empire. We all wonder why they did not choose our moment of weakness eighteen months ago. Viewed quite dispassionately, in spite of the losses we have suffered and the further punishment we shall have to take it certainly appears an irrational act. It is, of course, only prudent to assume that they have made very careful calculations and think that they see their war through.

Nevertheless there may be another explanation. We know that for many years past Japan has been dominated by secret societies of subalterns and junior officers of the army and navy who have enforced their will upon successive Japanese Cabinets and Parliaments by the assassination of Japanese statesmen who opposed or did not sufficiently further their aggressive policy. It may be that their societies, dazzled and dizzy with their own schemes of aggression and the prospect of early victories, have forced their country against its better judgment into war. They have certainly embarked upon a very considerable undertaking (laughter). When we compare the resources of the United States and the British Empire with those of Japan, when we remember those of China which have so valiantly withstood invasion and tyranny, and when also we observe the Russian menace which hangs over Japan, it becomes still more difficult to reconcile Japan's action with prudence and sanity.

What kind of people do they think we are? Is it possible that they do not realise we shall never cease to persevere against them until they have been taught a lesson which they and the world will never forget (Prolonged cheers).

THE FUTURE

I will turn for one moment more from the turmoil and convulsions of the present to the broader basis of future. Twice in a single generation the catastrophe of a world war has fallen upon us, twice in our lifetime has the long arm of fate reached across the ocean to bring the United States into the forefront of battle itself. If we had kept together after the last war, if we had taken common measures for our safety, then this renewal of the curse need never have fallen upon us (Cheers).

DICTATES OF PRUDENCE

Do we not owe it to ourselves, to our children and to mankind to make sure that these catastrophes do not engulf us for a third time? It has been proved that pestilences may break out in the Old World which carry their destructive ravages into the New World from which once they are afoot the New World cannot escape. Duty and prudence alike command first that the centres of hatred and revenge should be constantly and vigilantly starved and treated in good time and that adequate organization should be set up to make sure that the pestilence can be controlled at its earliest beginnings before it spreads and reaches throughout the entire earth (cheers).

LOST CHANCE

Five or six years ago it would have been easy without shedding a drop of blood for the United States and Great Britain to have insisted on the fulfilment of the disarmament clauses of the treaties which Germany signed after the Great War and that also would have been an opportunity for assuring to the Germans those materials, those raw materials which we have declared in the Atlantic Charter should not be denied to any nation, victor or vanquished. That chance has passed.

ANGLO-AMERICAN UNION

Prodigious hammer strokes have been dealt to bring us together again. I will say that he must indeed have a blind soul who cannot see that some great purpose and design is being worked out here below of which we have the honour to be faithful servants. It is not given to us to peer into the mysteries of the future. Still I avow my hope and faith, sure and inviolate, that in the days to come the British and American peoples will, for their own safety and for the good of all, walk together in Majesty, in justice and in peace."

When Mr. Churchill finished his speech, cheering again broke out in tumult and lasted several minutes.—Reuter.

ASHOK

was

RENOWNED

ASHOK

Pictures

are destined to be

RENOWNED

Watch for their First Hit

HARIJAN JATHA FOR BHAGALPUR

LAHORE, Dec. 26.

A batch of six Harijans including Choudhri Jugal Kishore, M.L.A., Bhagat Ameen Chand and Lala Mohanlal Yatri, is leaving for Bhagalpur to-morrow in connection with the annual session of the All India Hindu Mahasabha. —A. P.

PARLY. SECRETARIES IN BENGAL.

CALCUTTA, Dec. 26.

It is learnt from informed circles that the Government of Bengal have decided to appoint 11 Parliamentary Secretaries and 6 Whips, four for the Assembly and two for the Council.—United Press.

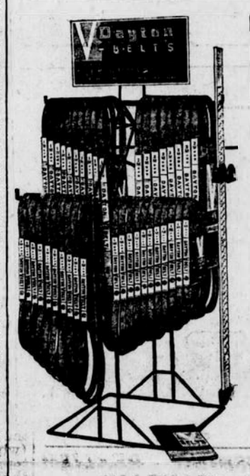
I. P. B. 154

We must see that they have the necessary equipment.

We are doing our bit by providing the cloth for their uniforms and the blankets which keep them warm at night.

"Dhariwal" FABRICS

THE NEW EGERTON WOOLLEN MILLS, DHARIWAL, PUNJAB
(BRANCH OF THE BRITISH INDIA CORPORATION LTD.)



Dayton

COG-BELT DRIVES

FOR EVERY CLASS OF HEAVY MACHINERY
or
LIGHT MACHINERY DRIVES

DAYTON Fractional H. P. Belts

or

REFRIGERATORS, PUMPS, WOODWORKING MACHINES etc., etc.

Sole Agents in India

BATLIBOI & CO.

Forbes St., Fort BOMBAY

EMPIRE OF INDIA

LIFE ASSURANCE CO., LTD.

ESTD. 1897

ASSETS EXCEED Rs. 5,60,00,000

●

An inquiry regarding the forms of Life Assurance granted by this Company will not only cost you nothing, but will lead to the selection of a sound investment, besides family provision.

●

Head Office:

EMPIRE OF INDIA LIFE BUILDING,

BOMBAY.

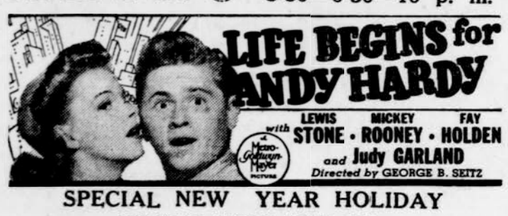
FOR LUNG & CHEST TROUBLES

GIVE HIM SIROLIN ROCHE

Any neglect will lead to serious illnesses. SIROLIN is the safest lung tonic for CHILDREN and ADULTS alike.

MISS SHANTA APTE
KOGILAGANA ISWANI
M. S. SUBBU LAKSHMI
Y. V. RAO & OTHERS
in
SAVITHRI
(in TAMIL)
At
BROADWAY Talkies
On 28th, 29th & 31st December and 1st January, 1942 at 10 a.m.
Advance Booking can be had at the Theatre (except 4 annas) from 4 p.m. on previous days of the shows

METRO Daily at 3-30—6-30—10 p. m.

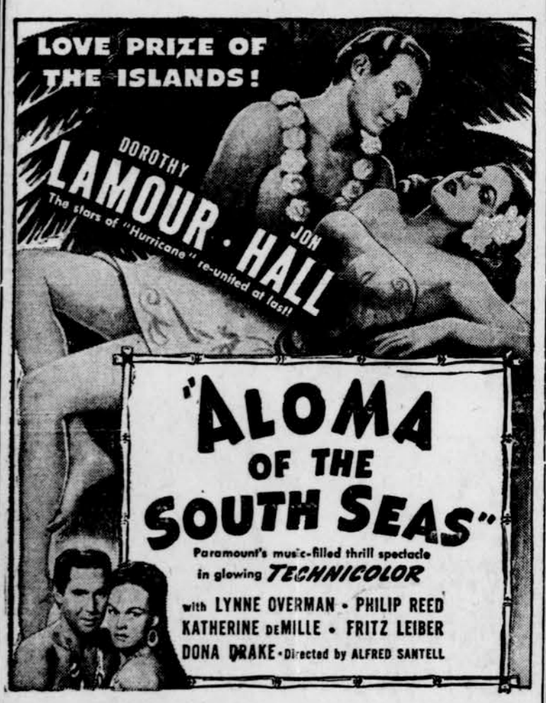


SPECIAL NEW YEAR HOLIDAY
MORNING SHOWS AT 10 A.M.
TO-MORROW: JOHNNY WEISMULLER MAUREEN O'SULLIVAN IN "TARZAN AND HIS MATE" A Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Picture.
MONDAY: JEANETTE MACDONALD NELSON EDDY IN "MAYTIME" A Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Picture.

K that counts

— NATURE'S LOFTY BRIDGE.....
KHAZANCHI
— LIFE'S LOFTY BRIDGE TO ART!
STEP ON TO IT AT
KRISHNA
39TH WEEK
Daily 4, 7, 10 P.M. • Saturday, Sunday, Holiday, Matinee 1 P.M.

GRAND HOLIDAY ATTRACTION!


LOVE PRIZE OF THE ISLANDS!
DOROTHY LAMOUR • JON HALL
The stars of "Hurricane" re-united at last!
"ALOMA OF THE SOUTH SEAS"
Paramount's music-filled thrill spectacle in glowing TECHNICOLOR
with LYNNE OVERMAN • PHILIP REED
KATHERINE DeMILLE • FRITZ LEIBER
DONA DRAKE • Directed by ALFRED SANTELL

NEW EMPIRE 4, 6-30 & 10 P.M.
Free list strictly suspended

HINDU MAHASABHA DAY IN NEW DELHI

NEW DELHI: Dec. 25.
In accordance with the instructions of Mr. V. D. Savarkar, President of the All India Hindu Mahasabha, the Hindu Mahasabha Day was observed here to-day as a protest against the Bihar Government's ban on the annual session at Bhagalpur.
Hindus observed 'hartal' and besides the principal markets all Hindu institutions and several factories suspended work. A number of Muslim shops also were closed in sympathy.

Viceroy Must Act, Says Sant Singh

LAHORE, Dec. 26.
An assurance that the country would support the Viceroy if His Excellency takes courage in both hands and boldly overrules the Governor of Bihar and orders the immediate release of all Hindu Mahasabha leaders and workers is contained in a statement issued to the Press by Sardar Sant Singh, M.L.A. (Central) on the situation at Bhagalpur. He demands "bold action" on the part of the Central Government and says that grave responsibility rests on Lord Linlithgow now.
Sardar Sant Singh adds: "Peace-time blunders can be tolerated, but war-time blunder will ruin empires.
"The arrests of Mr. V. D. Savarkar and other Hindu Mahasabha leaders have come at the most inopportune moment when war is almost at the doors of India. Instead of adopting a policy of conciliation, the bureaucracy has created a tense atmosphere and bitterness which are pregnant with repercussions of a very serious nature. This act of the Bihar Government indicates entire bankruptcy of statesmanship."—United Press.

Hindu Sabha Conference At Darbhanga

BHAGALPUR, Dec. 26.
A decision to hold a Hindu Mahasabha Conference at Darbhanga some time in the early part of next year was taken to-day at a meeting of delegates held here.—United Press.

LAHORE BATCH FOR BHAGALPORE.

LAHORE, Dec. 25.
Lala Khushal Chand Khusand of the "Milap" addressing the meeting announced his intention to leave for Bhagalpore with a batch of Hindus to-morrow evening. A. P.

SYLHET: Dec. 25.
A partial 'hartal' was observed here to-day, Hindu shops and firms remaining closed to protest against the arrests of the Mahasabha leaders.
At a meeting of the Sylhet District Hindu Sabha, under the presidency of Rai Bahadur Satischandra Datta, resolutions protesting against the Bhagalpur ban and the arrests of Hindu leaders were adopted.—A. P.

Viceroy's Executive

NEW DELHI, Dec. 26.
It is notified that the Governor-General's Executive Council shall assemble at Calcutta after the 2nd January, 1942.—A. P.

Travancore Bank Case Echo

Uniform Payment Of Eight Annas In The Rupee

TRIVANDRUM, Dec. 26.
A meeting of official liquidators in all jurisdictions including Ceylon, Hyderabad, Mysore and Madras of the Travancore National and Quilon Bank was recently held at Trivandrum, when Mr. K. A. Sivasankaran, Joint Official Liquidator (Travancore), placed before the conference a memorandum giving working details for a scheme of co-operation.
The memorandum was accepted unanimously by all liquidators. On the basis of this, the Quilon District Court has now passed orders declaring a dividend of eight annas in the rupee to be paid to all creditors within the co-operating jurisdictions in order to bring them on a par with Travancore creditors, to whom a dividend of eight annas has already been paid. This payment to outside creditors is only subject to deduction of dividend already paid and certain other reservations.—A. P.

Concessions To Calcutta Examinees

CALCUTTA, Dec. 26.
In view of the present emergent situation prevailing at present in the city, the authorities of Calcutta University have decided to allow candidates for the ensuing Matriculation and Intermediate Examinations of the University to change their centre from Calcutta to a mofussil station on a formal application.
They have also made some relaxation in the existing rules governing the submission of applications for admission to University examinations by students of recognised schools and affiliated colleges as regular candidates, as distinguished from private or non-collegiate candidates.—A. P.

Aney Obliges

NAGPUR, Dec. 26.
With a view to giving precedence to military traffic the Hon. Mr. M. S. Aney postponed his departure from Nagpur this morning by voluntarily asking the Railway authorities to detach his bogey from the Grand Trunk Express.—United Press.

SAVARKAR HAD ASKED HIM NOT TO GO.

AJMER, Dec. 26.
Addressing a public meeting held at Saraswati Bhuvan Ajmer, yesterday Kunwar Chandrakar Sarda ex-President, All-India Hindu Mahasabha, he said could not go to Bhagalpur because President Savarkar had asked him not to go to Bhagalpur.—A. P.

NARIMAN'S APPEAL TO JINNAH

(Continued from Page 14)
fundamental right of Free Association and Free Expression.
At one time, Mohamedally Jinnah was the greatest champion of this sacred right. I will never forget the vehemence, courage and dash with which he led the citizens of Bombay, against the local Bureaucrats in the famous anti-Willingdon campaign; then the local Bureaucrats and their henchmen, wanted to usurp this privilege of free expression and attempted to pass off a bogus official verdict as 'vox populi' in the name of citizens; being one of his nearest associates in that glorious campaign, I had an opportunity to watch from close quarters the great qualities both of head and heart, of that great leader, on that memorable occasion. How the Willingdonites were routed and Civic rights asserted is immortalised by a permanent Civic Memorial 'Jinnah Hall.'
JINNAH'S DUTY
Bhagalpur issue is but the same struggle in quite another form. suppression of lawful civic right is worse than its transgression and assumption by official Bureaucracy. Mohamedally Jinnah's politics may have changed, perhaps due to altered circumstances and his recent experiences, but I believe, so far as championship and fight for common Civil rights and privileges are concerned, he is the same old ferocious 'Tiger' of the glorious old days of anti-Willingdon campaign. Whatever his views as President of Muslim League and whilst expressing them as vehemently and strongly as it pleases him, it would be very graceful on his part to join on principle in the general protest against this fresh and uncalled for Bureaucratic aggression on Civil Liberties.
Let Mr. Jinnah, both as President of the League and as Champion and fighter of normal Civil Rights, call upon the Bihar Government to withdraw the silly ban, so that his opponents may have the fullest say and thus give him an equal opportunity to reply. With his usual distant political outlook, he must realise, that it may be Mahasabha to-day but the next victim may be his League.
It is such shortsighted policy and needless interference by a third party in the domestic quarrel of two, that worsens the communal situation and widens the gulf between them. Does the Bihar Government believe that such apparently partial attitude of Provincial Government will lead to communal harmony in that Province?
It is not surprising that with such 'bunglers' as Provincial Satraps, the total war-contribution from the country is unsatisfactory, in spite of all propaganda, resources and combined official and non-official efforts. Another surprise is the silence of the Congress; there is not yet a word of protest, though the Working Committee is actually in sessions.

SECTIONS 70-74 OF INDIA ACT SUSPENDED

Assam's Constitution Suspension Echo

SHILLONG: December 26.
The proclamation which was issued yesterday by the Governor of Assam, suspending the constitution in the Province, includes suspension of the operation of Sections 70 to 74 of the Government of India Act, 1935.
Section 74 relates to salaries and allowances of the members of the Legislature.—A. P.

Songs Sweetest Dances Daintiest

Sparkling Dialogues—
Happy Humour—
Spectacular Settings
—ABOVE ALL—
A Human Story—
These Are Some of the Many HIGHLIGHTS of the 'CIRCO' Picture That Has
CAPTURED THE HEARTS OF WISE BOMBAY
A 'SWASTIK-INDIA' Release
TRIUMPHANT ENTRY
In
2 Second WEEK 2
"HOUSE-FULL" Audiences Every Day!
Directed by GUNJAL
Starring SHALINI & NEELA
TRILOK, SHRINIVAS, ANANT, SUMAN
Tulsi
NOVELTY
WHERE BOMBAY COLLECTS
★
SUNDAY MORNING AT 10
"THE WAY OF ALL FLESH
(KHAZANCHI)
Story by PUJARI
Music: BALI
Sound: KATRAK
Camera: DIVECHA
DAILY: 4, 7, 10 p.m.
From To-day till Wednesday
Daily MATINEES 1 p.m.
ADVANCE Booking open 9 a.m.
SPECIAL Class for FAMILIES

Indian History Congress Speaks—
"The nobility of the theme, the skill of acting, the display of emotion and quickness of movement that marks the principal personages, the historical background and the considerable amount of success in realising an approximation to the original—these make the picture one of the most useful, instructive and typical of the best fruits of developing Indian Film Industry."
—Rao Sahib C. S. Srinivasachari, M.A., Professor of History, Annamalai University and President, Indian History Congress, (Fifth Session),

HYDERABAD (Dn.)
MINERVA'S MIGHTY HISTORICAL
SIKANDAR
Director: SOHRAB MODI
WITH A STAGGERING CAST HEADED BY SOHRAB MODI, PRITHVI RAJ, VANMALA, MEENA, SHEELA, & SADIQ ALI.
17th X'MAS WEEK 17th
MINERVA To-day—Shows Nos. 356, 357, 358 and 359
Daily 3 Shows—4, 7 and 10 p.m.
Sat., Sun. and Holidays—1-15 p.m. matinee extra.
(AN EVERGREEN RELEASE)

3 THIRD Thrilling Week
A REALLY GOD-FEARING FELLOW who was BRANDED as BAD and DANGEROUS!
SUDARSHAN'S SMASH HIT
Produced at RANJIT STUDIOS

MEET THIS MAN IN THIS HUMAN DRAMA!
SAJJAN
Starring:—
JAGDISH
HUSNA BANO, SATISH, DAVID, GOPE, AGA, & URMILA, ETC.
Direction. Mr. KHOSLA
Daily: Throughout Week: 1-30, 4, 7 & 10 p.m.
LAMINGTON
(A Sudarshan Release)

ASHOK LIVES In Your Hearts
ASHOK Pictures WILL LIVE In Your Hearts
Watch for their First Hit

CAPITOL At 4, 6-30 & 10 p.m.
DOROTHY LAMOUR BING CROSBY, BOB HOPE
in the COMEDY RIOT
"ROAD TO ZANZIBAR"
SUNDAY: 10-30 a.m.
"FRENCH WITHOUT TEARS"
with RAY MILLAND.

THE DAZZLING MIRACLE OF AMAZEMENT ONLY A DISNEY FEATURE COULD BE!
Surprises so un-guessable ... laughter so unending ... it marks a new high in delight!

EXCELSIOR 4, 6-30 & 10 P.M.
Free list entirely suspended
SUN. 28th SPECIAL SHOW AT 10 A.M.

THE REGAL Daily at 4, 6-30 & 10 p.m.

SUNDAY 10-30 a. m. "SUN VALLEY SERENADE" at EVENING Prices

Hindus Win 'Pentangular' Championship

Magnificent 8th Wicket Stand Saves Innings Defeat For Parsis

Meherhomji-Aibara Partnership Yields 110

HINDUS (1st Innings) *474*
PARSIS (1st Innings) *203*
PARSIS (2nd Innings) *309*
HINDUS (2nd Innings 40 for no wkt.)

BOMBAY, Friday.

Defeating the Parsis by ten wickets on Friday the Hindus have established their claim to the Pentangular Championship of the year.

An exhilarating eighth-wicket partnership between Meherhomji and Aibara which yielded 110 runs saved the Parsis from an innings' defeat, and enabled the Parsis total to rise to 309, thereby compelling the Hindus to go in to bat again with a deficit of 38, which their first pair wiped out in only 22 minutes.

Meherhomji was in fact the hero of the day, and his daring and heroic hitting, though not perfect to the core, brought a new life into the hitherto dull and monotonous game, and enlivened the game considerably. He was the only Parsi batsman to handle roughly almost all the Hindu bowlers and his magnificent flogging on all sides of the wicket earned him continued applause. His 71 at a critical moment of the game stood the Parsis in good stead.

But Meherhomji's success was due to a large extent to the magnificent support which he received from Aibara. The latter coming to bat even before Meherhomji, had played a flawless game throughout, and when he was out with 57 to his credit, the crowd had at least the satisfaction to feel that it had witnessed some spirited and correct hits from a Parsi batsman.

The Hindu attack had lost its former days' sting and Sohoni's bumpers, too, were ineffective.

With the knowledge of an innings' defeat staring them in the face Khote and Tarapore, the over-night not-outs came out of the pavilion to resume the game for the Parsis. Khote first faced Jadhav who passed down to him. Sohoni came from the opposite end but his bumpers had lost their sting or dread. The batsmen handled him roughly from the very start, with the result that 110 and 120 went up the board in no time. Raiji then replaced Jadhav, and 130 also went up. But the partnership was now nearing its end. In an attempt to play Sarwate, who had replaced Sohoni, Khote gave his wicket. (131-5-7).

Palia then joined Tarapore who too had soon to leave his partner. Attempting to lift Raiji Tarapore went a little out of the crease, and was immediately stumped by Hindlekar (135-6-24).

Aibara filled in the vacancy and 140 appeared after nearly ten minutes. Ten minutes more and a well-hit stroke by Palia off Sarwate at deep mid-on brought him four and raised the total to 150.

Palia's career now ended. In the next over Sarwate clean-bowled him. (155-7-16).

Meherhomji then followed, and after a few singles were added to the total a quick four by Aibara in the slips raised the score to 160. With Aibara striking Raiji on leg for four followed by two boundaries from Meherhomji brought 170 on board. A leg-drive by Meherhomji which fetched him two quickly signalled up 180.

The batsmen were now out to hit; Meherhomji in particular seemed quite at home, and some of his hefty strokes sometimes were quite exhilarating, particularly after the dull game that had preceded him. His two delightful strokes on mid-on, off Sarwate, got him eight, and 200 also went up the board in no time. He knew no steady game, and seemed to believe in hitting hard, with the result that Girdhari who had replaced Raiji was thrice hit to the boundary. This brought Meherhomji to his 40 and the score to 210.

220 ON BOARD.

At 12-20 Sarwate was replaced by Gharat. Three singles off him brought the score to 220. A sweep of four on leg by Meherhomji brought him to his 50, after 45 minutes of the game. Two more by Aibara brought 230 on board. Then snicking Gharat for two in slips the same batsman reached his 30.

After his 50 Meherhomji had slowed down a bit the pair however was in way uneasy, and though it took some time 240 also appeared.

There remained now only 31 runs to save the innings' defeat, and some excitement and enthusiasm in the Parsi game was evident for the first time since they began with the bat on Wednesday last.

When the game closed for lunch the Parsis had put up 246 which needed only 27 more to save the innings' defeat, and that with three wickets in hand.

NEW BALL AFTER LUNCH

After lunch Jadhav opened the attack to Aibara with the new ball that was then brought in. A bye off his third ball brought Meherhomji in the game who quickly dispatched the very next ball to mid-on boundary, and reached his 60.

Sohoni came from the opposite end, and Aibara scoring a single off him got 250 brought on board. Meherhomji then lifted Sohoni to mid-on and was luckey again to get four.

A leg-drive yielding single completed 100 of the eighth-wicket partnership. In Jadhav's next over Meherhomji swept his first ball on leg for a single followed immediately by Aibara's snick in the slips which yielded two, and brought him to his 30.

Every attempt was now made to get Meherhomji caught and whenever his turn came for play fielders were placed only a little within the boundary lines. One more four by Meherhomji on the leg side brought quickly the Parsi score to 260 and his own total to 70. There remained now only 11 runs to save the innings' defeat, and every stroke that followed was heavily applauded.

MEHERHOMJI L.B.W.

With singles coming in only six runs had now remain to save the innings' defeat. But the Nemesis once more worked, and in Jadhav's over that followed Meherhomji was declared l.b.w. (265-8-71).

Havewala followed in Sohoni's next over Aibara drove him straight for three, only one run thus remaining to reach the Hindus' first innings' total. But Sohoni's next ball giving a bye of four the Parsis reached the coveted total and the innings' defeat was avoided. Havewala then went on slashing the bowlers, but when playing he was clean-bowled by Raiji. (296-9-14).

Hindus Second Innings

Mobed the last man than associated himself into partnership with Aibara. Aibara's flawless efforts since the morning. When Havewala left he was only one short of his 50 which he completed with a four, off Sarwate. This also brought the total to 300.

But Aibara's memorable innings now came to an end. Trying to hit Raiji again he was clean-bowled (309-10-57).

Thus the second Parsi innings came to an end with a wonderful performance by the 'tail' which dispelled the Hindus' hopes of an innings' victory and compelled them to go in for their second knock with a deficit of 38.

Hindlekar and Sohoni opened the game for the Hindus. Hindlekar faced Khote and scored two in his first over, Havewala came from the opposite end and Havewala hooked him in slips for four.

With the score at 12 Printer replaced Khote. Palia soon replaced Havewala and Sohoni struck an overbound stroke off him which sent up 20 on board. A couple of such strokes and 30 soon appeared on the board. One more boundary stroke by Sohoni off Havewala followed by a few singles, wiped out the deficit of 38. With the total at 40 the batsmen returned to the pavilion.

PARSIS (2nd Innings)

M. F. Mistry, l.b.w., b Raiji ..	36
H. A. Printer, l.b.w., b Sarwate	28
R. S. Cooper, c Jai, b Sarwate	0
R. S. Mody, c Sarwate, b Raiji	13
J. B. Khot, b Sarwate ...	7
K. K. Tarapore, st. Hindlekar, b Raiji	24
P. E. Palia, b Sarwate	16
E. B. Aibara, batting	53
K. H. Meherhomji, l.b.w., b Jadhav	71
D. R. Havewala, b Raiji	14
M. J. Mobed, batting	0
Extras	38
Total (for 9 wickets) ..	300

HINDUS (2nd Innings)

D. D. Hindlekar not out ...	15
S. W. Sohoni not out	26
Extras	0
Total (for no wckt.)	41

Good looks and Vitality

TUNE up your vitality, put a sparkle into your smile with Iron Jelloids! Energy and good looks belong to those whose blood is rich in Iron, for Iron invigorates all the cells of your body —Iron strengthens nerves, muscles, brain, glands—Iron flushes your skin with vivid health. Iron Jelloids, an English preparation, provide Iron in the medicinal form approved by doctors. Start a course of these 'vitality' tablets today!

Iron Jelloids

Available from all chemists, or by cash from R. N. KATRAK. Dept. B.C. 22. Queen's Mansions, Bastion Road, Bombay.

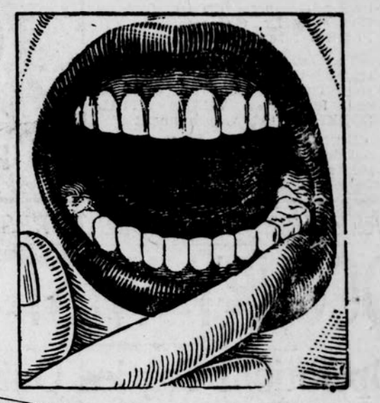
Prices, inclusive of postage: 10 days treatment Rs. 1/2/- 5 weeks treatment Rs. 2/12/-

IT IS THIS DAILY CARE THAT WILL GIVE HEALTH TO YOUR GUMS — AND TEETH

Your dentist probably uses S.R. (Sodium Ricinoleate) in the treatment of gum disorders. S.R., which has a peculiar penetrating power, renders harmless the poisonous products and organisms present in unhealthy gums, and stimulates the mouth to healthy activity.

You can use S.R. every day, for this valuable specific is available in an active form in Gibbs "S.R." Tooth Paste — a tooth paste which prevents and arrests Pyorrhoea and other gum diseases.

Daily massaging of the gums and brushing of the teeth with "S.R." whitens the teeth, sweetens the breath, prevents gum disorders and prolongs the healthy life of your teeth. The "S.R." goes on working in the gums to protect your health.



CHANGE TO GIBBS "S.R." TODAY

D. & W. GIBBS LTD., LONDON, ENGLAND GSR. 12-41

AN ENEMY TO BEAT
A HOME TO DEFEND
CHILDREN TO PROTECT
There's only one way

BUY Defence SAVINGS CERTIFICATES

FULL DETAILS FROM THE POST OFFICE

FILARIA

However dreadful and obstinate

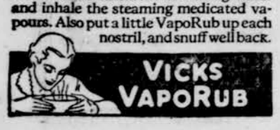
Arseno Typhoid

is a best tried remedy for this dreadful disease. It cures Elephantiasis with all its complications.

Available from all chemists.
CALCUTTA CLINICAL RESEARCH,
6, Chowringhee, Calcutta.

HEAD-COLDS

To loosen clogging mucus, soothe irritation, and ease the breathing, melt a little of this ointment in boiling water and inhale the steaming medicated vapours. Also put a little VapoRub up each nostril, and snuff well back.



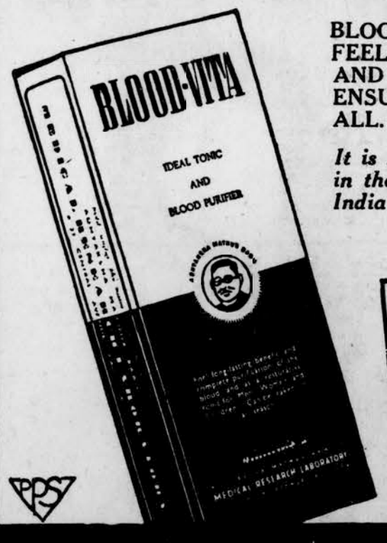
WHAT A CONSOLATION to the vast legion of photographic amateurs and professionals in India to know that the famous SELO roll-films continue to be available. They come to you in 4 kinds: SELO and SELOCHROME—the slower and the faster orthochromatic popular films with tremendous latitude, SELO F.P. to render your tone values faithfully and SELO H.P. 3—the fastest SELO ever made, ideal for action work and artificial light photography. SELO-films are so good they are worth snapping up!

SELO-graphy marches on

Distributed throughout India by ILFORD-SELO (INDIA) LTD. Bombay - Calcutta - Madras - Lahore

Get up wide awake

The Pulsation of Life is Yours.....



BLOOD-VITA GIVES YOU THIS FEELING. IT IS AN IDEAL TONIC AND BLOOD PURIFIER THAT ENSURES GLORIOUS HEALTH TO ALL.

It is Biologically & Chemically Tested in the Laboratories of the Govt. of India & the Govt. of Bengal.

BLOOD-VITA

PRICE: 8 oz. Phial Rs. 1/8; 16 oz. Phial Rs. 2/12/-

Available at all leading Chemists and Druggists.

ADHYAKSHA MATHUR BABU'S MEDICAL RESEARCH LABORATORY
P-23, CENTRAL AVENUE, CALCUTTA.

SOLE AGENTS FOR BOMBAY, C. P. & BERAR:— L. H. EMENY, ESQ., IMPERIAL CHAMBERS, BALLARD ESTATE, BOMBAY.

Digitized with financial assistance from the Government of Maharashtra on 18 April, 2017

3 BOOKS FREE

Give us your address either on telephone (No. 34059) or by a postcard, or else call on us, and get FREE copies of (1) The Rational Way to Superb Manhood by Dr. Gambers; (2) Children by Choice by Dr. Gambers; and (3) Physical Fitness for Marriage.

Thousands have benefited by reading these booklets; why not you? Therefore ring up, write or call for these THREE VITAL BOOKLETS this very moment.

Brijmohan & Co., Pfaff (Opp. Lakshmi Bldg.) Phirozeshaw Mehta Road, Fort, Bombay, 1. Telephone 34059.

Saturday, December 27, 1941

Regd. No. B 1065 Regd. No. B 1065

The Bombay Chronicle

Founder: Pherozeshah Mehta Editor: Syed Abdullah Brelvi

Surajmal for Diamonds

359, Kalbadevi, BOMBAY.

FREE FRENCH FORCES FORESTALL NAZIS

OCCUPY WEST INDIES ISLANDS OF MARTINIQUE, MIQUELON & ST. PIERRE

Operations Carried Out Without Incident

ACTION, THOUGH WELCOME, TAKES WASHINGTON AND LONDON BY SURPRISE

Islands Used To Send Messages To Enemy

THE SENSATIONAL NEWS THAT FREE FRENCH FORCES HAVE OCCUPIED THE FRENCH ISLANDS OF ST. PIERRE AND MIQUELON AND MARTINIQUE IN THE WEST INDIES AND SITUATED CLOSE TO NEW FOUNDLAND, IS IMPLIED IN TELEGRAMS RECEIVED FROM WASHINGTON AND LONDON.

THE ACTION WAS TAKEN APPARENTLY WITHOUT THE KNOWLEDGE OF AMERICA OR ENGLAND AND OBVIOUSLY TO PREVENT THE GERMANS GETTING HOLD OF THEM FOR USE AS SUBMARINE BASES.

THE ENTIRE OPERATIONS WERE CARRIED OUT WITHOUT ANY INCIDENT OR OPPOSITION AND WITH THE FULL CO-OPERATION OF THE POPULATION.

LONDON, Dec. 26.

The following statement regarding the Free French occupation of St. Pierre and Miquelon is made by a spokesman for the Free French force in London:

"Admiral Muselier, Commander of the Free French naval forces, went to St. Pierre and Miquelon because he was absolutely certain that the population of these islands desired to resume fight on the side of the Allies for the liberation of France and for the cause of liberty in the world.

The fact that he has succeeded in taking control of these islands without any incident proves that he was acting solely in conformity with the will of the interested population".

Without Consent

The unfavourable American reaction to Admiral Muselier's measures in Saint Pierre and Miquelon created much discussion in political circles in London on Christmas night, writes Reuter's diplomatic correspondent.

Surprise was naturally felt when it was realised that the admiral had acted without the consent, or even the knowledge, of the American Government.

It is learned reliably that the news of the Admiral's action came as a surprise to the British Government, and it will probably take some little time to elucidate the complete position which has arisen.

It is further learned to-night that the ships under Admiral Muselier did not sail from British ports.

The Canadian Government refused immediate comment on the Washington reaction to Admiral Muselier's action at St. Pierre and Miquelon.

The External Affairs Department in Ottawa emphasise that they had no fore-knowledge of the Saint Pierre affair.

Its only information is that the Free French took over control there without any incident.

M. Henri Haye, Ambassador of the Vichy Government in the United States, as soon as he was informed of the occupation of St. Pierre and Miquelon handed to preliminary vigorous protest to the United States Government says a Washington despatch to the Vichy News Agency.

Real Danger

Admiral Muselier's action at Saint Pierre and Miquelon came as a surprise for "all parties concerned", to employ the wording of the State Department announcement.

Admiral Muselier's whereabouts had been known here since his arrival eight days ago, but the real intention of his trip was not known beyond the general and official version of "a visit to Canada".

It is very certain that the French islands off the coast of Nova Scotia constituted a real danger, as they might have become under certain circumstances ideal bases for German submarines, and it is known too that the radio station on Saint Pierre was broadcasting "information useful to the enemy" by giving weather reports banned in American broadcasts.

It is pointed out in American quarters that the agreement worked out for Martinique was approved by all parties concerned, and gave general satisfaction.

It is felt also that the present position in Vichy, as it is known here, should not be regarded as an all out surrender to the German demands, whatever concessions may be exacted from Vichy by the German Government.

St. Pierre and Miquelon are two islands ten miles from the coast of New Foundland with a total area of 93 square miles and population of 3419. Fishing is the chief industry.

Martinique is an important island in the Antilles Group of islands in the West Indies, with an area of 390 square miles and population of 1,93,000.

ITALIAN CABINET TO MEET

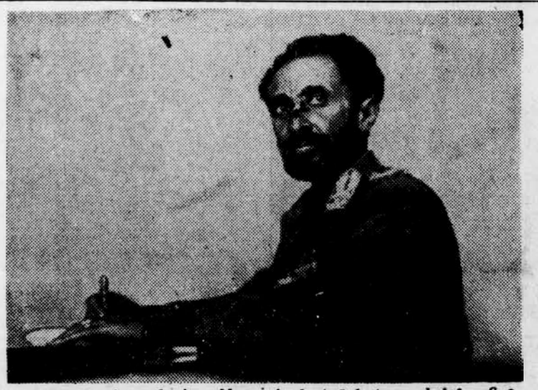
LONDON, Dec. 26.

It is announced in Rome that the Italian Cabinet will meet tomorrow, Mussolini presiding, to consider important questions.—Reuter.

Darlan Leaves For Toulon

LONDON, December 25.

Admiral Darlan left Vichy for Toulon on Thursday says the German radio. He is expected to be away from Vichy for three days.—Reuter.



Italian Fascist rule in Abyssinia lasted but a brief five years and, on the fifth anniversary of the Italian occupation of Addis Ababa the joyful citizens were welcoming home their beloved Emperor, Haile Selassie, this recent picture of the Emperor of Abyssinia was taken in his study in the Palace, Addis Ababa.

Jinnah Quotes Amery Against Congress

No Declaration Of Policy Without League Consent

NAGPUR, Dec. 26.

Is it not futile and absurd to ask the British Government to make a declaration that India should be granted Dominion Status one or two years after the war? Can you imagine that the British Government can make such a declaration? In the first instance, they cannot do it, and even if they do it, do you expect them to put Mr. Savarkar on the Gadi?" asked Mr. M. A. Jinnah, presiding over the All-India Muslim Students Federation this morning.

Continuing Mr. Jinnah said: "As Mr. Amery rightly points out, Dominion Status is not a medal or decoration to be put on India's buttonhole with a safety pin. This demand aims at eliminating Muslim consent to the future constitution. The British are not fools to fall in this trap. But even if they do it, that constitution will not last for a fortnight."

At the outset, Mr. Jinnah said that students were not expected to take active part in the political developments that were taking place. Their primary duty was to concentrate themselves on studies. If they frittered away their precious and valuable time, that wasted time would never come back to them. They should, however, keep themselves abreast with the political, social and economic developments not only in the country, but also in the world.

NO HINDU DOMINATION.

Mr. Jinnah added: "The Muslim League does not preach aggressiveness but cannot and will not surrender its rights or submit to Hindu domination or Raj in this sub-continent."

Mr. Jinnah referred to differences in the stand taken by Mahatma Gandhi, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and Mr. Rajagopalachariar and prayed to God that He might throw some light on Bardoli which he said "was still in darkness."

He added that Mr. Savarkar, Dr. Moonje and their colleagues were running amuck and doing greatest harm to Hindus in the first instance than to Muslims.

Referring to Mahatma Gandhi's thirteen points in the constructive programme for attaining Purna Swaraj Mr. Jinnah said that if Congress accepted Pakistan as one more point in the programme, there would be a settlement soon.

Regarding the Congress attitude to war, Mr. Jinnah pointed out how it was incongruous regarding the Sind Ministry, despite Khan Bahadur Allahbux being a member of the so-called National Defence Council.

About Bengal, he said that the Muslim League was stronger today in Bengal by the removal of Mr. Fazlul Huq, and the Nawab of Dacca. No man was indispensable in the Muslim League if he was a traitor or a quisling he added.—United Press.

MUSLIM STUDENTS POLICY

NAGPUR, Dec. 25.

The Fifth Annual Session of the all-India Muslim Students' Federation opened here late to-night. A number of prominent Muslim League leaders from other provinces were present.

Mr. Abdul Qadir, Chairman of the Reception Committee, criticised the Congress rule in the province and referred to the grievances of Muslim students such as the singing of "Bande Mataram" Muslim students, who were League-minded, he stated, were made to suffer for their political views The chang-over in the administration under Section 93 of the Government of India Act had not brought about any improvement. Mr. Qadir assured Mr. Jinnah that Muslim students wholeheartedly supported the League policy as regards Pakistan and war.

STAND BY LEAGUE

Mr. Nauman, Deputy President of the Federation, announced that the Bengal Chief Minister had been removed from the life membership of the Federation. Their organisation, he said, had become stronger in Bombay, Karachi and Lahore and added that an All-India Muslim Girl Students' Federation would be formed at Delhi in March next. He expressed the hope that Mr. Jinnah would live long to become king of Pakistan.

Earlier, the Raja of Mahmudabad hoisting the flag said that the Pakistan movement had come to stay and even a thousand Savarkars could not check it.—A. P.

Mahasabha Meets, Despite Arrests

NARIMAN APPEALS TO JINNAH TO LEAD AGITATION ON BHAGALPUR ISSUE

BHAGALPUR, Dec. 25.

The following official account of the twenty-third session of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha has been issued by the General Secretary of the Bengal Provincial Hindu Mahasabha:—

"The twenty-third session of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha was held amidst great enthusiasm at 1 p.m., to-day, in the spacious compound of Debi Babu's Dharmasala. Lall Narayan Dutt, treasurer of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha Working Committee, presided. About 2,000 delegates from all the provinces of India and a large number of visitors and volunteers attended the session.

The president, Lala Narayan Dutt, first described to the meeting the advice given to him regarding the session, by Dr. Moonje and other leaders who are now in jail.

Mr. Manoranjan Chowdhury of the Bengal Provincial Hindu Mahasabha, who came along with the Hon. Dr. S. P. Mookerjee from Calcutta, described to the audience how Dr. Mookerjee was intercepted and detrained at Colgong this morning.

The President moved the resolution recording profound sorrow at the demise of Dr. Rabindra Nath Tagore, Sir Ganganath Jha, Pandit Madhusudan Jha, the Maharajadhiraj of Kolhapur, Swami Padmananda of Bharat Sewashram Sangha, Maharajadhiraj of Manipur and Kali Kumar Ghosh of Bengal.

RECALL GOVERNOR.

The second resolution, which was moved by Mr. Manoranjan Chowdhury and supported by Mr. Ganpat Rai stated:

"That the session of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha asserts the elementary and inalienable right of the Hindus to hold meetings and voice their feelings for the protection of their political, civic and religious rights and strongly condemns the action of the Bihar Government and the attitude of the Governor in banning the All-India Mahasabha session of Bhagalpur. This session further demands the immediate recall of the Governor of Bihar for wanton interference with the rights of the Hindus."

The resolution was passed unanimously with acclamation.

DEMAND FOR RELEASE.

The following resolutions were also passed:—

That this session of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha condemns the action of the Bihar Government in arresting Mr. V. D. Savarkar, President-elect of the twenty-third session of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha, Dr. S. P. Mukerjee, Working President of the Mahasabha and Finance Minister, Bengal, Dr. B. S. Moonje, Bhai Parmanand, Mr. Padamraj Jain, Mr. N. C. Chatterjee, Mr. B. G. Khaparde, Mr. M. N. Ghatat, Raja Maheswar Dyal, Mr. Varadarajulu Naidu, Rai Bahadur Harish Chandra, Kumar Ganganand Singh, Pandit Raghavacharayya, Mr. Raveneshwar Misra, Major P. Bardhan, R. B. Gunindra Krishna Rai (Bhagyakul), Mr. Asutosh Lahiry, M.L.A., Bengal, and other leaders, delegates and volunteers who intended to attend the meetings of the session, and demands their immediate and unconditional release

This conference demands the immediate release of all political prisoners and detenus throughout India.

The session of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha reiterates its policy regarding the militarisation and industrialisation of the country.

That this session of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha welcomes the formation of a Coalition Ministry in Bengal and calls upon the Hindus of that province to support Dr. S. P. Mookerjee in his attempt at redressing the legitimate grievances of the Hindus of Bengal.

WORKING COMMITTEE

That this session of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha authorises Mr. V. D. Savarkar and in his absence Dr. S. P. Mookerjee and in his absence, Sir Manmatha Nath Mookerjee, to appoint the All-India Working Committee of the Mahasabha for the next session.

That this session of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha offers its hearty felicitations to the Hindus of Bihar and all other provinces throughout India who have given a splendid and spontaneous response by coming in large numbers to Bhagalpur and making the session a success in spite of all difficulties created by the Government.

Those who addressed the session included Sardar Gobind Singh, Mr. Nand Gopal Choudhury, Mr. Sri Kumar Mitra, Mr. Saurendra Rai, Mr. Gokul Despande and Mr. S. N. Penshal.

ARRESTS AT CONFERENCE.

The deliberations continued for two and half hours in a peaceful atmosphere after which the President and some other delegates left the meeting to attend another meeting at Lajpat park. The meeting, however, was being continued by some youngmen, when a police sergeant with some constables entered the compound and arrested Mr. Nagendranath Nandi, Mr. Gokulchandra Das, Mr. S. N. Penshal and another.

Meetings are being held at each quarter of this town and processions are being led by youths though armed constables and mounted police are guarding the streets.

About a thousand delegates and volunteers were arrested up to date. Many others, who were arrested to-day were subsequently discharged, shortly after being taken to the police station.

NARIMAN'S APPEAL TO JINNAH

Mr. K. F. Nariman, M.L.A., has issued the following statement:—

As Rajendra Babu has very correctly expressed, Bhagalpur incident is not merely a Hindu Mahasabha Issue: whatever our differences with its policy and programme, all fighters of Indian Civil and Civic liberties, regardless of community, creed or political label, ought to take up the challenge of the Bihar Government, and offer full co-operation in asserting and maintaining most elementary and

(Continued on Page 12)

Bhagalpur Arrests Now Amount To 427

Boy Slips Through Police Picket And Hoists Flag Near Pandal

BHAGALPUR, December 25.

The number of arrests has now mounted upto 427. Over a score of Mahasabhites as they attempted to hold processions, were taken by the police outside the town area and let off.

The delegates who nave not been arrested, it is learnt, held a meeting and decided to convene a special session of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha shortly, possibly during the Easter. The venue of the session, so far as could be known will be Darbhanga.

A boy who managed to slip through the police picket right upto the Lajpatrai Park hoisted the Mahasabha flag near the demolished pandal there. But the police took possession of the flag immediately.

Mr. Padamraj Jain who along with Dr. Syamaprasad Mookerjee was arrested at Colgong this morning was brought down here in the afternoon, Dr. Mookerjee being still detained there.—A. P.

BIHAR GOVERNOR CRITICISED

Raja Narendranath's Press Comment On Recent Arrests

LAHORE, Dec. 25.

Strong criticism of Governor of Bihar is made by Raja Narendra Nath, President of the Punjab Provincial Hindu Sabha, in a statement to the press commenting on the arrest of Hindu Sabha leaders.

It is true, he adds, that Government will not tolerate defiance of law or order. But the Executive should understand that orders should not be issued or laws not be passed which are likely to be honoured more in the breach than in observance."

Raja Narendra Nath pays a tribute to the Governor of N.-W. F. province who rightly decided that no action should be taken in his province against those who uttered onti-war slogans or made speeches persuading people not to help in the war effort.

He was wise enough to understand that anti-war speeches would create less trouble than action taken to prevent them.—A. P.

DR. S. P. MUKERJEE WIRES TO GOVERNOR-GENERAL

Release Savarkar & Allow Bhagalpur Session

BHAGALPORE: Dec. 25.

Dr. Shyama Prosad Mukerjee is still at the Dak Bungalow at Colgong, where he was detained yesterday morning. He was served with an order under Section 26, subsection 1 (c) of the Defence of India Rules, prohibiting his entry into Bhagalpur.

He was verbally requested to leave Bihar, which Dr. Mukerjee declined to do unless served with an externment order.

It is understood that Dr. Mukerjee has wired to the Governor-General requesting him to release Mr. Savarkar and other leaders and to permit the Hindu Mahasabha to hold the session at Bhagalpur to-morrow without any restriction.

Dr. Mukerjee has asked Sir M. N. Mukerjee to see the Viceroy in this connection. The greatest courtesy is being shown to Dr. Mukejee by local authorities.

He went out for an evening walk at Colgong yesterday accompanied by a few officials. Some policemen, however, are in the verandah of the Dak Bungalow where Dr. Mukerjee is staying.—A. P.

PARTIAL HARTAL IN MADRAS CITY

MADRAS: Dec. 25.

Partial hartal was observed in the city to-day when most of the Hindu merchants closed their shops as a mark of protest against the action of the Bihar Government in arresting Hindu leaders proceeding to Bhagalpur in connection with the Hindu Mahasabha session.

A public meeting was held this evening at the Ranade Hall under the auspices of the local branch of the Hindu Mahasabha, when the presidential address of Mr. V. D. Savarkar was read out and resolutions condemning the Bihar Government for banning the Hindu Mahasabha session at Bhagalpur and appealing to the Hindus to rally round the Hindu Mahasabha and strengthen the organisation were passed.—A. P.

Charlie Chan Detective Story Day By Day:

CHARLIE CHAN — A BAD ACTOR PLAYS A PART — By ALFRED ANDRIOLA

A BRUISE AND BLOOD WILL MAKE IT LOOK REAL!
HOUDINI'S ASSISTANT TAUGHT ME HOW TO MAKE THIS SELF-TIE!
AND CHAN WILL BE SURE JACK CONWAY SLUGGED ME AND TIED ME UP!
AND SO I'M RID OF JACK CONWAY AND MY CAR!
ALFRED ANDRIOLA
2-14
© McNaught Syndicate, Inc.

Printed and published for the Bombay Chronicle Co., Ltd., by KESARINATH RAMKRISHNA GANDRE, at the Bombay Chronicle Press, Red Building, Parsi Bazar Street, Fort, Bombay.